



Public health, air quality and sustainable transport:

A strategic approach to parking charges

What is being proposed

- The Council is consulting on parking charges until **5th May 2019**
- This includes :
 - Charges in council owned car parks
 - *Pay and Display* charges 'on street'
 - Resident and visitor permit charges in Controlled Parking Zones
- No change to 20 Minutes free parking
- It is proposed that charges will increase but there will continue to be incentives and lower charges for electric vehicles

What is being proposed

- **A charging system that :**
 - Is representative of, Mayors Transport policy, other council policy such as Air Quality and compliments surrounding boroughs similar sustainable transport endeavours.
 - Is fair and proportionate recognising that there are parts of the borough that are better served by public transport;
 - Reflects the resources to enforce Controlled Parking Zones that have longer operating hours;

Why is this being proposed ?

- Incentive for less car use, meaning fewer trips by car
 - Over one third of all the car trips made by London residents could be walked in up to 25 minutes
- Less car use meaning less vehicle emissions and less **air pollution**:
 - The **main source of air pollution** is from the vehicles on our roads.
 - An estimated **9,000 deaths a year in London** are attributable to the air pollution.

Why is this being proposed in Merton?

- Less car use can lead to **more physical activity** through use of public transport, walking or cycling.
 - More physical activity lessens the obesity epidemic. **150 primary school classes of Merton children** are overweight.
 - Almost **60% of Merton adults** are overweight.

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Cycle parking
delivers



5x
the retail spend
per square
metre than the
same area of
car parking

Source: Raje and Saffrey, 2016

Over a month, people who walk
to the high street spend up to

**40%
more**

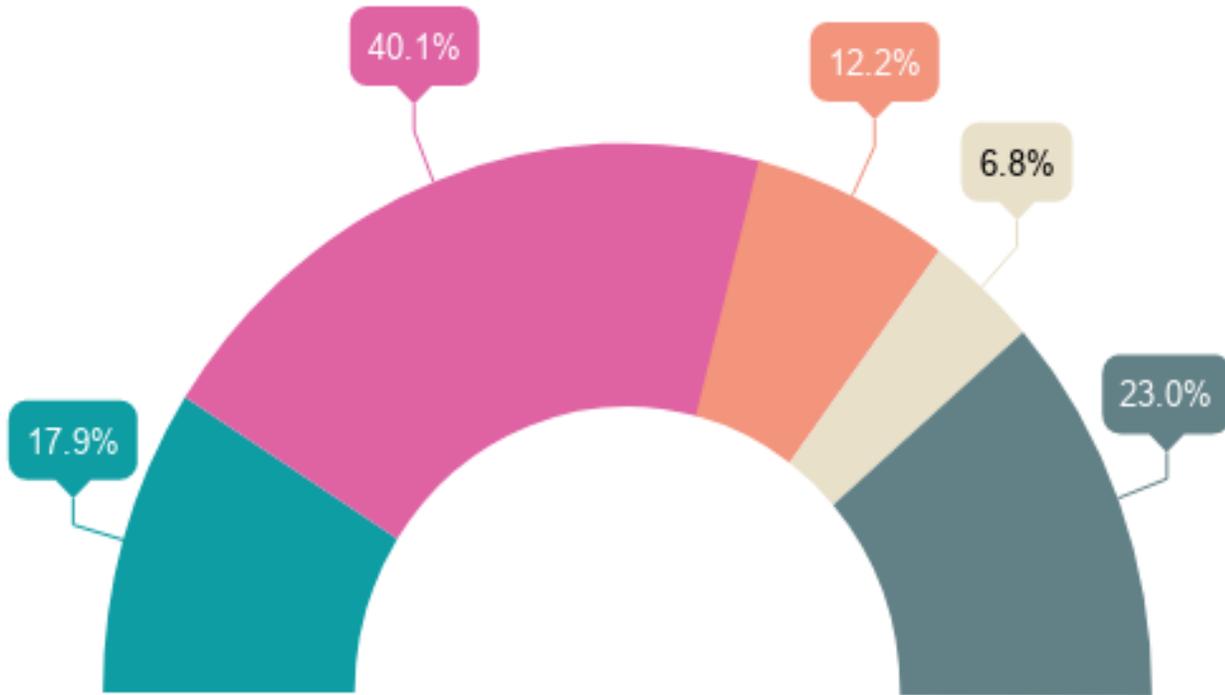


than people who drive
to the high street

Source: TfL, 2013

Young people in Merton care about air quality:

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- No problem at all
- A problem
- A big problem
- A very big problem
- Don't Know

Question 24.0
How much of a problem is the cleanliness of the air in my area?
This single response question was answered by 1,174 respondents.

Proposed car park charges in Wimbledon

CAR PARK (Inclusive of VAT).	Current hourly charge	Proposed hourly charge
Broadway	£1.00	£2.00
Hartfield Road	£1.50	£2.00
Queens Road	£1.00	£1.50
St Georges Road	£1.40	£1.50

Proposed On Street Pay and Display Charges

On-street pay & display	Per Hour
Zone 1 255 bays in Wimbledon town centre	£4.50
Zone 2 Wimbledon Village, Wimbledon Park, South Wimbledon Raynes Park. Colliers Wood,	£3.00
Zone 3 Mitcham, Morden and other areas not specified.	£1.50
Zone 1a Wimbledon Common	£1.50

Proposed Controlled Parking Zone Tier Structure

Merton last increased Permit charges in 2009.

Zone duration	Tier 1 zones Wimbledon	Tier 2 zones Part Colliers Wood/ South Wimbledon/ Raynes Park/ Morden	Tier 3 zones Mitcham/ Part Colliers Wood	100% electric vehicles All zones
Long (12 to 14.5 hrs)	£150	£130	£90	£20
Medium (6 to 10 hrs)	£120	£110	£80	£20
Short (1 to 4 hrs)	£110	£100	£70	£20

- Linked to 'Public Transport Accessibility Levels' (PTAL) as set out by TfL.
- Length of operation of each zone and associated enforcement costs.

Other boroughs Permit charges

Cost	Highest priced residential permit by council (2018/19)
£300 +	Islington £475, Kingston £350* Enfield, £330
£200 - £299	Lambeth £299, Camden £296, Haringey£280, Brent, £237, Kensington & Chelsea £228, Hackney £214
£90 - £180	Tower Hamlets £181, Wandsworth £166, Sutton £150, Merton £150 , Hounslow £130, Southwark £125, Ealing £125, Lewisham £120, Merton £120 , Richmond £109,

*Kingston from April 2019.

Informing the public and stakeholders

Public Notices on street & in the local press.

- Yellow Notices in each CPZ zone.
- Each pay and display machine
- Local Newspaper
- My Merton has a feature article, (delivered to all residents)
- Press release
- Formally informed:
 - All Councillors,
 - All Resident and Business Associations
 - All Statutory Consultees

How can I support or make representation on this proposal?

We welcome your comments

- Any person wishing to make representation or object on the proposals should visit: www.merton.gov.uk/parkingconsultation2019
We have an online survey and opportunity to submit representations
- In writing to: Parking Services, the London Borough of Merton, Merton Civic Centre, London Road, Morden, Surrey, SM4 5DX quoting reference **Parking Consultation 2019** or by email to parkingconsultation2019@merton.gov.uk, no later than **5 May 2019**.

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