

COUNCILLOR ROSS GARROD
LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
(Labour, Longthornton Ward)



Sally Bolton OBE
Chief Executive
AELTC
Church Road
Wimbledon
SW19 5AE

London Borough of Merton
Merton Civic Centre
London Road
Morden SM4 5DX

020 8545 3424 (Civic Centre)
leaders.office@merton.gov.uk

27 October 2023

Dear Ms Bolton,

The future of Wimbledon Park Golf Course

Last night, the London Borough of Merton's Development and Planning Applications Committee came to a decision to grant planning consent for the application of the development of the Wimbledon Park Golf Course – reference 21/P2900. As you will be aware, planning consent will not be issued until the application submitted to Wandsworth Council has been determined and a section 106 agreement securing the terms as set out in the report has been completed. These applications are also subject to a potential call in by the Mayor of London.

The Wimbledon Park Golf Course is subject to restrictive covenants established in the 1993 transfer to All England Lawn Tennis Ground (AELTG). These restrictive covenants include requirements for the owner to use the land only for leisure and recreation or as an open space and places restrictions on the erection of buildings. The development for which planning consent has been granted cannot commence without addressing the restrictive covenants in the 1993 transfer.

I would be grateful if you could advise how you intend to implement the planning consent, if granted, without breaching the restrictive covenants.

I look forward to receiving a response at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ross Garrod".

Councillor Ross Garrod
Leader of the Council