

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 07/12/2025 3:15 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land At Wrotham Road Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0AA
Proposal:	Outline application for the erection of up to 350 residential dwellings , public open space and associated works. Approval is sought for the principal means of vehicular access from Wrotham Road and all other matters are reserved.
Case Officer:	Mrs Katherine Parkin

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Meopham Gravesend Kent

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	I strongly object to the planning application 20250992 to build 350 new houses. The A227 is already a busy road, the proposed access into the new development will be opposite a very busy shopping area, adjacent to Green Lane which is another busy cut through and tight country lane. Even with the proposed additional car park, which is supposed to ease the burden for the customers of the local shops, there will not be enough parking for all these and the vehicles within the new development. There will be an overspill on to the A227 and surrounding roads which in turn will add to congestion and with the heavy traffic flow there will be an increased risk to pedestrians / children and drivers in this area. There will be an increase in delivery and service vehicles which will also add to the congestion and make the area even more dangerous. During school times the A227 is exceptionally busy without any new junctions or pitch points and the increased traffic. The A227 isn't wide enough for additional lanes and the new junction will just add to the congestion associated with the shops, which is already an accident black spot and drivers who park inconsiderately will get worse. The A227 Wrotham Road is already a major cut-through and without the traffic increase with all the new developments and even more so when the lower Thames crossing is built, the area will not cope with the increased volumes of traffic. Meopham will become more of a rat run than it is now, with increased pollution and impact on the wider environment and wildlife. There will be a massive visual impact for the local community with a development of this size and in the heart of the village.
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This and the surrounding farmland are prime agricultural land and needs to be protected.

The accumulative effect of this and the other planning applications will have a detrimental effect on the local area and Meopham will lose its identity as linear village.

The increased population will add additional strain to an already oversubscribed Meopham medical centre where the wait is already at two weeks. The local Darenth Valley hospital is running at overstretched capacity with the new developments around the hospital, Bluewater and Ebbsfleet without this and the other planning applications.

There are only two trains an hour and often only four carriages with commuters standing without the increase in population, both Soul Street and Meopham are not designed for the increase in commuters. There is an unreliable bus service with only one bus an hour with a limited service at the weekend and no service late in the evening.

Housing developments need areas that can sustain them with full infrastructure and services which Meopham lacks in all areas.

The proposal to build this and the other developments in such close proximity will overwhelm the area.

The brown fill sites must be looked at before the mass destruction of green belt / farmland are even considered.

The crime rate in Meopham is low and the increased population will potentially mean an increase in crime. In most of Meopham we have no street lighting and no CCTV which will need to be installed at immense cost to Gravesham Borough council and the taxpayers.

The overall impact of this and all the planning applications 20250993, 20251116 and future applications must be taken into consideration and not in isolation, each development will have a massive impact on the local community and the identity of Meopham as village will be lost.

Kind regards