

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 05/12/2025 6:57 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land Adjacent To Longfield Road Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0EW
Proposal:	Outline application for the erection of up to 120 residential dwellings, public open space and associated works. Approval is sought for the principal means of vehicular access from Longfield Road and all other matters are reserved.
Case Officer:	Mrs Alison Webster

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED]

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	<p>Longfield Road is already extremely narrow and regularly gridlocked, especially at school start and finish times due to resident parking on both sides. Adding traffic for 120 new homes - potentially over 240 cars plus deliveries - will significantly worsen congestion and safety risks.</p> <p>The development sits directly beside Helen Allison School, an SEN provision where pupils are highly sensitive to noise, disruption and unpredictable environments. Increased vehicle movements and construction activity will raise stress levels and sensory overload, negatively affecting their wellbeing.</p> <p>The road is frequently used by heavy goods vehicles heading to the Green Street Green weighbridge, creating an unsafe mix of HGVs, school traffic and potential new residential traffic.</p> <p>Despite passing schools and homes, the speed limit remains 50mph, and many drivers maintain this speed into Meopham, creating further risk for children, residents and pedestrians.</p> <p>Overall, the proposed access route is unsuitable and unsafe for the volume and type of traffic the development would generate.</p> <p>The proposed development sits on Greenbelt land that has not been approved for release, making it unsuitable for large-scale building.</p>
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An estimated 1,440 extra vehicles would rely on the A227, significantly increasing traffic in and out of Meopham.

The A227 bus routes are already vulnerable to disruption due to accidents, narrow sections of road and pavements, and side roads are not capable of handling diverted traffic when blockages occur.

Traffic pressure will worsen further once the Lower Thames Crossing opens, increasing volumes along the A227.

Peak-time trains from Meopham and Sole Street are already overcrowded, and the local bus network is minimal and unreliable, offering no realistic support for additional residents.

The developments could increase Meopham's population by up to a third, placing severe pressure on local infrastructure.

GP surgeries and NHS services are already overstretched, and further growth will make access even more difficult for existing residents.

Kind regards