

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 16/05/2025 5:33 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Garage Site Adjacent To 33 Empress Road Gravesend Kent
Proposal:	Erection of a new residential building comprising of 5x 1 bed flats, 4x 2 bed flats and 1x 3 bed flats contained within a terraced style block.
Case Officer:	Ms Amanda Cue

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Lower Range Road Gravesend

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments: I strongly object to this development. Squeezing 10 flats into the proposed space is ridiculous. The area comprises of rows of 2 storey terraced houses and these 3 storey flats are totally out of keeping with it.

I understand the flats will have rear balconies which will overlook the surrounding properties. What about privacy issues? People don't want to be overlooked in this manner and nor should they be. Also there is a possible right to light problem which could arise.

Parking is a huge issue around the area. I believe that only 5 parking spaces are being provided. 10 flats could easily produce 2 cars per flat - where are the other 15 cars meant to park? What about visitors, where are they going to park? Also, the flats are being built on a plot of existing garages. This will produce more on street parking from people who use the garages. There is no room for all these extra cars!!

Empress Road is quite a busy road, used by people driving from Havengore Road to the main road, as well as other residents. It's used like a one-way system, which all the residents understand, and works well.

During the proposed construction, we'll be subjected to construction equipment, heavy trucks plus workmen's vehicles, coming down Lower Range Road as it's no entry at the top of Empress Road, by the pub. This risks damage to the cars in Range Road and Lower Range Road, let alone trying to get large vehicles round the corner into Empress Road. Vans and small lorries struggle at times. There will be congestion in Empress Road, causing problems for the residents of the road and the surrounding area. We'll all be subjected to 2 years of noise, dirt, multiple vehicles, equipment and workmen coming and going daily. More parked vehicles will cause access problems for refuse collectors, as well as emergency vehicles. This is NOT acceptable!

I understand that trees will have to be cut down. When we're being encouraged to plant trees and look after our wildlife, where's the sense in this? Our environment needs looking after, not destroyed!

I hope the Planning Officer and Committee see fit to refuse this ludicrous planning application as it's the only sensible thing to do.

Kind regards