

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 10/12/2025 6:39 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] Meopham

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	<p>I wholeheartedly object to this planning application for the following reasons:</p> <p>The land is designated green belt land and is, and always has been, farmed with cereal crops, it does not demonstrate any exceptional circumstances that would allow for the land to be built upon and we need to conserve our food sources so we are not reliant on imports.</p> <p>It is essential that the green belt is retained for alleviating flooding and to act a buffer between rural and urban areas.</p> <p>Longfield Road has 2 schools in very close proximity, a primary and a special needs school which in the mornings and afternoons are extremely busy and congested at school drop off and pick up times. There are, in fact, cars parked along the Longfield road at all times of the day, as houses along the south side of the road do not have private parking and negotiating past these cars is extremely dangerous. In addition to this, the road tends to flood making journeys even more hazardous. Adding another 120 houses into the mix would be an absolute nightmare for people travelling to and from Longfield and a danger to the school children.</p> <p>Pulling out on to the A227 from the various side roads in the village is always difficult due to the amount of through traffic travelling from the M20 to the A2 and vice versa and this will only increase once the new Thames crossing is built.</p> <p>When there are traffic problems on these major routes Meopham is used as a rat run, often with the side lanes being blocked in addition to the A227. The Longfield road is used as a cut through to Dartford, Bluewater, Darent Valley Hospital and the Dartford crossing at these times.</p>
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The bus service is very infrequent, (roughly one every hour and a half) so people rely on driving their cars everywhere as cycling is far too dangerous on the A227. The local medical centre is at capacity with appointments difficult to get as is also true of Darent Valley hospital where patients are often laying in corridors. The schools would not be able to accommodate for the increase in school age children moving to the village and therefore those children would have to be transported elsewhere by car every day. Removal of hedges and trees will result in damage to habitats of birds, bats, insects and other wildlife critical to our eco system. There will be increased light pollution due to proposed extra street lighting which at the present time is at a minimum in the village.

Kind regards