

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 05/01/2026 6:33 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	50 Whitehill Road Gravesend Kent DA12 5PG
Proposal:	Change of use from a small house in multiple occupation (Use Class C4) to an 8-bedroom, 8-person, large HMO (sui generis) and provision of bicycle and bin stores to the rear.
Case Officer:	Mrs Lisa Fisher

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Customer Details

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

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	<p>Dear Sir or Madam,</p> <p>I wish to formally object to the planning application for 50 Whitehill Road regarding the proposed expansion of the existing House in Multiple Occupation (HMO).</p> <p>Existing Parking Stress and Overspill</p> <p>We live on Canterbury Road and are a one-car household, yet we are frequently unable to park on our own road. This is due to neighbouring properties having multiple vehicles and residents from Whitehill Road regularly parking on Canterbury Road because of insufficient parking provision in their own street. The property at 50 Whitehill Road has only one off-street parking space. Increasing the number of bedrooms and occupants will inevitably increase vehicle ownership and worsen overspill parking into surrounding roads, including Canterbury Road, which is already under significant pressure.</p> <p>Personal Safety Concerns</p> <p>As a woman who works shift patterns, Being unable to park near my home due to overspill parking raises genuine personal safety concerns, as I am forced to park further away and walk alone in the dark. This situation is already occurring and would be exacerbated by an increase in occupants at this property.</p> <p>Overdevelopment and Intensity of Use</p> <p>The proposed increase to an eight-bedroom HMO represents an excessive level of occupancy that is not appropriate for this location. The intensity of use is incompatible with the surrounding residential area.</p> <p>Refuse, Amenity and Access Issues</p>
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Larger HMOs generate increased waste. Insufficient bin storage is likely to result in bins being left on shared access routes along Coombe Road, causing obstruction, visual harm, and potential vermin issues. Increased occupancy will also lead to higher levels of noise and general disturbance, affecting residential amenity.

Impact on the Wider Residential Area

The proposal would further increase pressure on neighbouring streets, reduce parking availability for existing residents, and negatively impact the quality of life and sense of safety within the community.

For these reasons, particularly the existing parking stress, overspill into Canterbury Road, and the resulting safety concerns, I respectfully request that this planning application be refused.

Yours faithfully

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Kind regards