

Please post to: Adeoye Lawal, Planning Officer, Civic Centre, Gravesend, Kent DA12 1AU (stamp required)
(or can be left in secure drop box in Reception at Istead Rise Community Centre, Worcester Close, Istead Rise.)

Application Reference: 20251233		Case Officer: Adeoye Lawal	
Location:	Land at Rose Farm, Downs Road, Istead Rise, Gravesend, Kent		
Proposal:	Outline planning application for the demolition of 64 Downs Road & erection of up to 154 residential dwellings & creation of a new access from Downs Road (Full details on Gravesham's Council's Website)		
I am:	Member of the Public ☒ Other: ☐		
My Title &			
My address & postcode			

I wish to **object** to planning application number **20251233** for the reasons stated below:

- BUILDING ON GOOD QUALITY FARMING LAND WHICH WILL IMPACT GROWTH OF PRODUCE IN THIS AREA & ESSENTIAL FOR FOOD FOR THE NATION.
- DOWNS ROAD ALREADY SUFFERS FROM FREQUENT FLOODING THE BUILDING OF 154 NEW HOMES WILL ONLY INCREASE THIS PROBLEM AS NEW DEVELOPMENT IS AT THE OTHER SIDE OF THE VALLEY.
- NEW DEVELOPMENT IS ADJACENT & BEHIND LOCAL PRIMARY SCHOOL WHICH SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACT TRAFFIC AROUND SCHOOL & POLLUTION FROM CARS - HAZARDOUS & DANGEROUS TO ~~BE~~ SCHOOL CHILDREN.
- WE ARE A CAR DEPENDANT COMMUNITY AS BUSES ARE MINIMAL & THERE IS NO SAFE ROUTE TO NEAREST TRAIN STATION (NOT POSSIBLE TO WALK) THEREFORE TRAFFIC WILL INCREASE SUBSTANTIALLY ON ALREADY CONGESTED ROADS AT PEAK TIMES CAUSING MORE TRAFFIC POLLUTION.
- SEVERE IMPACT ON LOCAL GP'S WHICH IS ALREADY AT FULL CAPACITY & LOCAL HOSPITAL CANNOT COPE NOW WITHOUT ADDITIONAL HOUSING.
- WILL SEVERELY IMPACT WILD LIFE & RURAL ENVIRONMENT. THIS LAND IS VALUABLE GREENBELT AND SHOULD REMAIN THAT WAY.
- THERE ARE MANY SPECIES WHICH LIVE IN HEDGEROWS MANY OF WHICH ARE PROTECTED.
- THERE IS NO BENEFIT TO THE PEOPLE OF ISTEAD RISE WHO ENJOY LIVING IN A COUNTRY COMMUNITY & WHO ONLY HAVING LIMITED RESOURCES CURRENTLY SUCH AS SMALL SHOPS, SCHOOLS PRIMARY & SECONDARY WE CANNOT ACCOMMODATE AN EXTRA 154 HOMES.

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Signed:

Deadline for objections: 26/1/26

Comments continued overleaf