

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 22/03/2026 2:19 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land North Of Camer Road Meopham Gravesend Kent
Proposal:	Outline planning application for up to 725 dwellings (Use Class C3), a new two-form entry primary school (Use Class F1), a Local Centre (up to 500sqm of Class E floorspace), the provision of Public Open Space including sport and recreation facilities alongside associated access, landscaping, parking, and infrastructure; with all matters reserved except for access.
Case Officer:	Mrs Katherine Parkin

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Sallows Shaw Sole Street Gravesend

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments: The land in question is GREENBELT Grade 2 agricultural land for arable crops. We should be preserving our greenbelt and positively farming our own country's produce. In times of energy and cost of living crises, our land becomes more valuable as farmland and in the future will be needed even more. Concreting over this precious resource is short sighted.

With 725 proposed homes, the infrastructure would not cope with the equivalent of over 200% increase in the size of Sole Street population.

The roads are already congested, the ability to turn right at junctions are difficult and would increase the likelihood of accidents if the planning went ahead. Even at a modest estimate, 1,450 more cars would be accessing already congested local roads.

If planning goes ahead, Norwood Lane would be closed according to the Plan. This is a vital route to dilute traffic elsewhere and will create gridlock and a huge tailback along Green Lane and Sole Street if this happened.

Towns and villages should not be merged, preserving their identities and preventing urban sprawl is essential.

We need to safeguard our precious countryside, protect the diverse natural habitats and ancient ecosystems, flight paths of birds, hunting grounds for mammals, all of which will be destroyed if this planning goes ahead.

The excessive impact of such a huge development, which will completely overwhelm the surrounding areas of Sole Street, Hook Green, Meopham and Cobham will have a permanent detrimental effect on local amenities, the communities, schools, doctors and the roads themselves which are all at full capacity now.

There is no disability access at either Meopham or Sole Street stations, only bridges.

What health and safety guarantees are in place for the Sports and Play areas which are located very close to the railway foot bridge and constitutes a health and safety issue for children. If this area on the planning application is rejected, will there be more houses built on this land instead? The same applies to the school, which I understand constitutes only 2 school years. Where will the children go after year 2 and has funding been earmarked and/or agreed for this school? What will happen to this land if the school is rejected? More houses? These are tick boxes for the developer which are not realistic.

The cumulative effect of proposed developments already being considered should be taken into account. The number of proposed Greenbelt land to potentially be concreted over with new homes in this area alone is staggering.

The likelihood of flooding and drains overflowing during bad weather will be exacerbated particularly in Norwood Land and Wrotham Road where it is already a major issue. Building on this Greenbelt will create a concrete land with no natural soak away.

The Greenbelt acts as a Carbon Sump, so very important in our current climate.

The overall effect of 725 homes on the village of Sole Street, which will triple the size of its current population, will have the most damaging effect on this and the surrounding area in terms of community identity, services, wildlife diversity and infrastructure.

I object at the strongest level to this planning application.

Kind regards