

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 30/06/2026 5:21 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Nuralite Industrial Estate Canal Road Higham Rochester Kent ME3 7JA
Proposal:	Application for approval of condition 2, 5, 8, 9, 11 and 12 attached to planning permission reference number 20250721 relating to full details of the road improvements works at the Canal Road / Chequers Street / Church Street /Lower Rochester Road junction (2), full details of the phasing of the development (5), a comprehensive Demolition and Construction Logistics Plan covering all environmental impacts (8), a full Construction Traffic Management Plan (9), an updated preliminary ecological appraisal and review and of the site wide mitigation strategy (11) and a strategy to deal with the potential risks associated with any contamination of the site or the relevant phase (12).
Case Officer:	Mr Richard Hart

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	School Lane Higham

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments: OBJECTION TO PLANNING APPLICATION
Reference: TF8ST0HPJQ200
Development: Nuralite, Higham
Location: Higham, Kent

I formally object to this application on the following material grounds:

1. Narrow Roads & Unsuitable Infrastructure

The roads serving the site are narrow, have limited visibility, and were not designed for high volumes of large vehicles. Critically, the route in question was originally constructed only as a temporary access road, never intended for permanent heavy use. Its condition and capacity are entirely inadequate for the traffic this development will bring.

2. Up to 50 Heavy Lorries Daily - Serious Safety & Environmental Risk

The proposal will generate up to 50 lorry movements per day through the village. This level of heavy traffic on narrow, unsuitable roads will cause severe congestion, damage to the road surface, and increased risk of accidents. It will also restrict access for emergency services, delivery vehicles, and local residents.

3. Risk of Disturbing Asbestos

We have strong reason to believe that asbestos materials lie beneath the surface of this road and surrounding ground. The constant weight and vibration from up to 50 heavy lorries every day will disturb this buried material. This creates a significant health hazard, as asbestos fibres could be released into the air, putting residents, children, and road users at risk of serious respiratory illness. No assessment of underground contaminants or asbestos risk has been provided in the application.

4. Loss and Shortage of Parking

The development will remove existing on-street and off-street parking used by local households and visitors. The proposed parking provision is insufficient to serve both the new development and the existing community. This will lead to vehicles parking on verges, corners, or the carriageway itself - further narrowing the road, reducing visibility, and adding to the hazards already described.

Conclusion

This development is entirely unsuitable for Higham. It uses a road built only for temporary use, introduces excessive heavy lorry traffic, risks releasing dangerous asbestos into the environment, and causes parking shortages and highway danger. There is no evidence that the proposal complies with safety, environmental, or highway standards.

I request that the application be refused unless it is completely revised to address all these risks, including a full independent asbestos survey, confirmation the road can safely carry the proposed traffic, and provision of sufficient parking without displacing existing residents.

Kind regards