

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 18/12/2025 2:58 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address: Nuralite Industrial Estate Canal Road Higham Rochester Kent ME3 7JA

Proposal: Application for removal of condition 4 ,6,12 and variation of condition 7 attached to 20190290 - The proposal is for the systematic redevelopment of the existing Nuralite site. This includes the importation of inert materials to cap, and landscape the historic asbestos landfill, thus containing its contamination risk. To demolish the existing buildings of the Nuralite industrial estate, deal with existing contamination, both through capping and removal of areas of hydrocarbon pollution, the laying of new service and utility infrastructure and the construction of 11 new purpose built light industrial type units and a site office; to allow removal of passing places, temporary traffic controls, Archaeological works and implementation of a permanent TRO for all traffic.

Case Officer: Mr Richard Hart

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Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

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Address: [REDACTED] Rochester

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: Whilst my objection is more related to the permanent TRO that is proposed, I also think the expansion of the Nuralite site should not be allowed to happen. The location of the site at the bottom of Canal Road is just not conducive to the amount and size of the vehicles that will be needed to complete the work and then run the site.

My main objection though is to the application of the permanent TRO to put a one way traffic route in place. To be honest I don't really know where to start with this, the fact that a private company can think its OK to apply for a permanent change to the traffic routing on a stretch of road that has worked perfectly well for decades just to suit their needs and presumably boost their profits is beyond belief. This should be rejected out of hand.

The impact this will have on people who live on the route will be enormous, not only will they have to take a longer route to get somewhere with all the associated costs to themselves and the environment but some people will have huge lorries coming past their properties on roads that are just not fit for purpose.

Are we really suggesting that the lower part of Gore Green Road where the road is very narrow is remotely suitable for HGV's? It just isn't and this alone should be enough to get this part of the application rejected.

Also, under the one way scheme being proposed, more HGV's will be pushed onto the B2000 Town Road via the junction with Lillechurch Road, this will not only cause congestion at that point but will also add to the numbers of HGV's travelling on that part of the B2000 which is already showing signs of serious damage and is falling away at the sides. This increase in HGV's will add to the current congestion further up the B2000 where lorries have to almost stop just to get past each other, the road is just not set up to take this many large vehicles and it is just a matter of time before this causes an accident.

Why is this even being considered just to help a private company and with absolutely no thought to how this will impact the residents of Higham and the surrounding areas. If this is allowed to go ahead I would have some suspicions as to the motives of the council as it just seems a ludicrous proposal.

I strongly urge you to reject this application.

Kind regards