

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 5:53 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land West Of Norwood Lane Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0YE
Proposal:	Outline application with all matters reserved (except access) for a development of up to 150 dwellings (Use Class C3), including affordable dwellings, and associated landscaping, public open space and infrastructure works.
Case Officer:	Mrs Alison Webster

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Customer Details

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

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	<p>1. The plan is for a cul-de-sac for all these proposed properties meaning 300+ vehicles would have to enter/exit, plus delivery/service vehicles, onto Green Lane. The entrance/exit would be at a very busy point particularly at peak times, due to the adjacent schools and shops, within a few metres of the Green Lane junction with the A227. The outline drawings are vague, the proposed junction is a few metres to the west of a blind bend and there are trees and undergrowth that makes viewing of the traffic from the westerly direction very difficult. In addition Green Lane to the west of the proposed junction is very narrow towards Tradescant Drive junction and then on to the A227 junction, to the extent that even larger cars/SUV's cannot get past each other and I have witnessed many times when vehicles have mounted the footpath in order to get past each other AS I AM WALKING ALONG THE PATH.</p> <p>2. As regularly occurs when there is an issue with the A227/A2/M20 vehicle drivers attempt to use the local side roads, in particular Green Street, all of which are not able to cope due too their limited width. Leading to further lengthy delays and indeed destruction of peoples property situated along the side routes where the drivers attempt to pass each other.</p> <p>3. Cycling routes within the proposed site are a good idea but there are no safe or designated cycling routes at all outside of the plan area. Indeed the roads such as Norwood Lane, Camer Park Road, Camer Road do not even have pedestrian footpaths. The local roads are simply too dangerous for all but specially skilled cyclists. This means there are no routes for cycling or walking safely to the two train stations or the bus stops.</p>
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4. Meopham is a linear village along the A227, a road with already very high traffic volumes which in many places is very narrow for two way traffic and for long stretches has no footpath. There is insufficient room to build cycle routes through the village without major infrastructure changes which would be extremely costly.
- 5 The site is high grade agricultural land in use for many generations Land that contributes to food production and security which is ever more important in this evermore uncertain world.
- 6 The plan talks about street light provision for the site. Meopham is a village and as such has only the occasional street light at vulnerable points. It should be kept a village, dark skies are vital to our wellbeing.
- 7 There are no reliable public bus services for the area, and in fact none on Sundays, and the route is subsidised and therefore not guaranteed.
8. The local schools are already full and would not be able to facilitate the number of school aged children these proposed new homes would generate.
9. The local GP surgery does not have the free capacity to facilitate the extra people this proposal would generate, formally confirmed by Dr. Mounty. Who I might add has not even been approached for comment by the applicant.
10. The closest emergency NHS hospital in Darenth Valley is already at bursting point, and indeed it is already going to get even more so with the extensive home building in Dartford and Bluewater/Ebbsfleet.
11. There are only small convenience stores in the area, again meaning extensive extra vehicular journeys will be required to get food etc.
12. No jobs in the local area therefore the home owners would have to travel to them. Creating even larger strains on the roads in the area, in particular the A227 which is already very busy all day in this area. If the idea is for the new home dwellers to travel via trains to their place of employment then it would be better for all and the environment that the new homes be built where the jobs are.
- 13a. This application must be considered as part of, at present, 3 applications in total for the Camer Parade area. The other references are 20250993 Longfield Road (next to Helen Allison SEND school 120 homes), and 20250992 Wrotham Road opposite Camer shops (350 homes). There is a further application for the Meopham area, Blackthorn Farm Culverstone (100 homes). If approved the total of 720 new homes would increase Meopham's population by approximately one third.
- 13b. The 3 applications in the Camer Parade area are all proposed on good agricultural Greenbelt land that has not been released from the Greenbelt boundary.
- 13c. The applications would lead to approximately, if not more, 1450 additional vehicles using the A227 Road to get in and out of Meopham, and indeed this very compact and already very busy area, unsustainable and indeed a dangerous increase.
- 13d. Meopham is losing the provision of smaller one/two bedroom bungalows. The sort of properties that retirees wish there were so that they could downsize and enjoy there remaining years in a more manageable home. No provision is being considered by the applicant for any of the plans. If there was a more diverse age group in these local communities, perhaps it would aid in the ideal of safer crime free areas.

Kind regards