

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 06/12/2025 10:29 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land At Wrotham Road Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0AA
Proposal:	Outline application for the erection of up to 350 residential dwellings , public open space and associated works. Approval is sought for the principal means of vehicular access from Wrotham Road and all other matters are reserved.
Case Officer:	Mrs Katherine Parkin

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Customer Details

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

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	<p>Providing access for 350 dwellings presents serious safety concerns. The development could produce approximately 700 vehicles, alongside regular delivery, refuse and service traffic. The volume of vehicle movements far exceeds what the proposed access can safely accommodate.</p> <p>The development would significantly alter the visual character of the area adversely affecting the setting of the adjacent conservation area and undermining its heritage value</p> <p>This is an extensive, actively farmed site that contributes directly to food production. Developing it would result in the irreversible loss of productive agricultural land.</p> <p>The site is adjacent to a parade of shops which has become an accident black spot. Any further traffic from the proposed development would exacerbate existing road safety hazards.</p> <p>The area along Wrotham Road is already heavily parked during school opening and finishing times, posing safety risks. Introducing extra traffic from this development would further compromise road safety and pedestrian safety.</p> <p>The stretch of road besides The George Inn forms a significant congestion spot due to its narrow width. Large vehicle struggle to pass safely and additional traffic</p>
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from the proposed development would worsen congestion and hazards.

This site remains within the protected Green Belt and has not been removed from the Green Belt allocation.

With all the proposed developments in Meopham, an estimated 1,400 extra cars would rely on the A227 as their main access to and from Meopham, placing substantial pressure on the road.

Despite its constrained width and narrow pavements, the A227 is used by through-traffic including HGVs and routinely becomes congested when incidents on nearby roads force vehicles to divert.

The surrounding side routes are entirely insufficient to support diversions during incidents or closures.

The Lower Thames Crossing will add additional pressure to the A227 by increasing through-traffic.

Peak-hour rail services from Meopham and Sole Street are already overcrowded, with many passengers standing, while local bus provision remains sparse and inconsistent.

The scale of all the proposed developments represents a potential 33% increase in Meopham's population, which is disproportionate to the village's current capacity and would have substantial implications for infrastructure, community services and the rural character of the area.

Kind regards