

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 09/12/2025 2:49 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] Tradescant Drive Meopham Gravesend

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	<p>Allowing access for 350 homes raises major safety issues. The scheme is likely to generate around 700 cars, in addition to routine delivery, waste collection and service vehicles. This level of traffic is far beyond what the proposed access can safely handle.</p> <p>The development would substantially change the area's appearance, harming the setting of the nearby conservation area and diminishing its heritage significance.</p> <p>The site is large and currently in active agricultural use, directly supporting food production. Building on it would permanently destroy valuable, productive farmland.</p> <p>The site sits next to a row of shops that has become a known accident hotspot. Additional traffic from the development would worsen the existing road safety risks.</p> <p>Wrotham Road is already congested with parked cars at school drop-off and pick-up times, creating safety concerns. Extra traffic from the development would further reduce both road and pedestrian safety.</p> <p>The narrow section of road next to The George Inn already causes serious congestion, with larger vehicles finding it difficult to pass safely. More traffic from the proposed development would intensify both congestion and associated</p>
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hazards.

The land is still designated as part of the protected Green Belt and has not been taken out of that classification.

Collectively, the proposed developments in Meopham could result in around 1,400 additional vehicles using the A227 as their primary route in and out of the village, creating significant strain on the road network.

Even though the A227 is narrow and has limited pavement space, it carries through-traffic, including HGVs, and regularly becomes congested when diversions from neighbouring routes occur.

The nearby minor roads are wholly incapable of coping with diverted traffic during incidents or road closures.

The Lower Thames Crossing is expected to increase through-traffic, placing further pressure on the A227.

At peak times, trains from Meopham and Sole Street are already packed, with numerous passengers left standing, and local bus services remain limited and unreliable.

Altogether, the proposed developments could enlarge Meopham's population by roughly 33%, a level far beyond what the village can reasonably support, with major consequences for infrastructure, public services, and the area's rural character.

Kind regards