

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 5:35 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]

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	<p>The intended vehicular access would create a significant safety concern, as it would feed directly onto a narrow rural lane that is not designed to accommodate traffic of this scale.</p> <p>The construction of 150 additional homes would produce a notable increase in traffic levels, likely introducing more than 300 extra cars alongside an anticipated rise in service and delivery vehicle activity.</p> <p>The land in question is comprised of high-grade agricultural soil, and its development would remove productive farmland, potentially leading to greater dependence on imported food supplies.</p> <p>The site remains protected as Green Belt land, and no change to this designation has been made.</p> <p>In combination, the proposed developments in Meopham are likely to result in an additional 1,400 vehicles using the A227 as their principal route, placing significant pressure on the local road network.</p> <p>The A227, while narrow and with limited pedestrian provision, serves as a through-route including heavy goods vehicles and regularly experiences congestion when nearby diversions are implemented.</p>
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The surrounding minor roads are wholly insufficient to accommodate diverted traffic during road closures or incidents.

The anticipated opening of the Lower Thames Crossing is expected to increase through-traffic volumes, further exacerbating congestion on the A227.

At peak times, trains from Meopham and Sole Street are frequently overcrowded, leaving many passengers standing, while local bus services remain limited, infrequent, and unreliable.

Overall, the proposed developments could increase Meopham's population by around one-third, a level of growth that the village is unlikely to accommodate without substantial impacts on infrastructure, public services, and its rural character.

Kind regards