

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 12/03/2026 4:12 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land North Of Camer Road Meopham Gravesend Kent
Proposal:	Outline planning application for up to 725 dwellings (Use Class C3), a new two-form entry primary school (Use Class F1), a Local Centre (up to 500sqm of Class E floorspace), the provision of Public Open Space including sport and recreation facilities alongside associated access, landscaping, parking, and infrastructure; with all matters reserved except for access.
Case Officer:	Mrs Katherine Parkin

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Sole Street Cobham

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: I strongly object to this application for several reasons detailed herewith.

I must stress that I appreciate the need for the building of new housing, and my response is not an emotionally charged 'NIMBY' approach.

I feel passionately that the rural identity of Britain must be protected. Rural areas such as Meopham/Sole Street/Luddesdown/Cobham are fundamental to this rural identity. Only recently has the area been granted "National Nature Reserve" status. Houses must be built, yes, but focus should be on towns/cities/brownfield land - NOT on green belt where rural identity will be diminished and wildlife and habitats decimated.

Secondly, the local road network cannot cope with any more traffic. I live on Sole Street - which is already far exceeding the traffic volume of a standard road of its type. It takes me up to a minute to cross the road when walking my dog at 6am because of the heavy flow of rat run traffic, let alone later on in the morning. These roads cannot take any more.

I understand there is a proposal to block off road access to the top of Norwood Lane. This will mean all traffic from this housing estate will be exiting at the Wrotham Road end which will cause devastating congestion for those living and

walking on this part of the lane, and this part of the A227.

The local infrastructure cannot take this injection of people into the community. The GP/NHS services are already overstretched. It is almost impossible, at most times of day, to access local shops.

I have concerns about the addition of the primary school. The noise pollution and FURTHER traffic this will cause really will be devastating. The roads people will use to divert to get away from the traffic are already under an unbearable amount of strain.

Building on this site removes what is prime agricultural land. We simply cannot keep doing this if we want to ensure food security for what is an ever increasing population. This will also have further consequences such as flood risk and lack of habitat for our previous wildlife in this area.

People take sanctuary in this part of Gravesham. As a resident all my life (moving from Meopham to Sole Street) I saw the explosion of interest in the area during the COVID pandemic. People drove here to get out into the countryside and nature, and there has been an increased love and respect for this area - contributing directly to people's wellbeing. Meopham/Sole Street/Cobham/Luddesdowne really is a truly special area. Our Council should be championing this, and helping to protect it at all costs.

Kind regards