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Dear Ms Goodbody

We have tried to submit our objection via the portal for the last few days but it won't work. It keeps saying the server is down and to try later. Mindful of time we are writing to you and our ward councillor Baljit Hayre, in the hope that we can successfully prevent this single use, three-bed semi detached family house being made into bedsits.

Application for a Proposed Lawful Development Certificate for change of use from a single dwelling house to a 6 person HMO.
42 Brandon Street Gravesend DA110PL

We object to the proposed change of use of this semi-detached property to a six person HMO for the following reasons:

The property was originally designed to house a single family and to subdivide this into bedsits further alters the character of the neighbourhood.

The immediate area around the property is already densely populated and a high percentage of dwellings on Brandon Street have already been subdivided into HMO's and flats.

The result of this is that there is already a strain on local services and infrastructure.

Parking is a particular issue. As a family we regularly are unable to find a parking place anywhere on the street and often have to walk for up to half a mile from the nearest available spot.

The increased number of residents in an HMO will inevitably cause noise issues and an increase in night time activity in an area with a lot of young families with varying levels of need.

The increase in refuse generated by five new households will contribute to what is already a problem on this street of large amounts of refuse being dumped outside properties increasing the risk of pests and vermin.

I have attached photographs of the street from both ends, demonstrating the current parking congestion.

