

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 04/06/2025 5:59 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	5 Forge Lane Higham Rochester Kent ME3 7AS
Proposal:	Application for a Proposed Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed siting of a caravan for ancillary residential use in the rear garden.
Case Officer:	Mrs Kelly Joyce

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	NAPC Watermoor Point Cirencester

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	Reference: 20250507 Application for a Proposed Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed siting of a caravan for ancillary residential use in the rear garden at 5 Forge Lane, Higham, Rochester, Kent, ME3 7AS. The National Annexe Planning Consultancy (NAPC) is pleased to express its support for the above application, which seeks to site a caravan for ancillary residential use. This proposal aligns with NAPC's national position that ancillary and modular developments make efficient use of existing residential plots, support flexible living arrangements, and offer a sustainable response to housing and care pressures without necessitating large-scale new developments. The proposed siting of a caravan in the rear garden for ancillary use is a commendable approach to enhancing the residential utility of the property while maintaining its primary residential function. It is crucial to ensure that the caravan remains ancillary to the main dwelling, thereby preserving the integrity and cohesion of the residential plot. We encourage the applicant to consider aspects such as scale, layout, and access to ensure seamless integration with the existing property. NAPC's expertise in ancillary accommodation is extensive, and we invite the applicant to contact us for guidance on policy compliance and to secure long-term peace of mind. Our resources, available at https://napc.uk/annexe-support/, provide valuable insights into best practices for ancillary developments. We also encourage Gravesham Council to consider the inclusion of supportive annexe policies in future iterations of their local plan. The positive impact of ancillary accommodation in regions such as Ireland and California demonstrates its effectiveness in alleviating housing pressures and promoting sustainable living solutions. In conclusion, NAPC supports this application and looks forward to seeing how it
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contributes to the flexible and sustainable use of residential spaces in the community.

Kind regards