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Dear Mr Lawal

Re Tudor Cottage, Nash Street, Meopham, Gravesend Kent DA13 9AA
Conversion of outbuilding to form an annexe with erection of a single
storey extension. Planning Application **GR/2025/0944**

Thank you for your letter of 19th January 2026 concerning the above. Further to the Society's letter of 11th and 17th October 2025, the Society notes the site is in an area within which Green Belt policies apply. The Society further notes that Tudor Cottage is a Grade II listed building and that the main Tudor Cottage appears little changed, and as a result does not give rise to comment.

With reference to the Stable building there is a question regarding the conversion of the building and the creation of a new dwelling in the Green Belt and the serviceability of the existing building. Despite the revised drawings there is little information regarding the existing structure.

How is the roof held up? Are there frames and trusses which should be retained? What contribution do the existing internal walls make?

There are details of what is proposed but little save a few photographs of existing. If a new dwelling is to be permitted on the basis of a conversion there should be details of the structure that is being converted not just a floor plan and elevations. The existing building is of some antiquity and despite its dilapidated state, if serviceable the structure should be retained.

With reference to the Stable building it is clear from the demolition drawing that the proposal is to remove the internal and replace them and form openings in the outside walls to facilitate the insertion of windows.