

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 19/03/2026 6:59 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] Scratton Fields Gravesend

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	My objection is based on the following material planning concerns:

1. Inadequate Local Infrastructure

The existing infrastructure in Meopham is already under significant strain and is not capable of supporting additional residential development. Local GP surgeries have confirmed they are operating at full capacity, with no plans for expansion or the provision of a new health centre. This raises serious concerns about access to essential healthcare services for both existing and future residents.

2. Traffic Impact and Highway Safety

The local road network is insufficient to accommodate the increased volume of traffic that this development would generate. The construction phase alone would likely cause severe disruption, congestion, and safety risks within the village.

In particular, the proposed closure of Norwood Lane would significantly impact traffic flow and create additional pressure on already busy routes. This would also negatively affect daily journeys, including school drop-offs and pick-ups, accessing essential services (GP) increasing both congestion and potential risk to pedestrians and children.

3. Harm to the Character of Meopham Village

Meopham is a rural village with a distinct character that would be fundamentally harmed by this development. The scale and nature of the proposal are not in keeping with the surrounding area and would result in urbanisation that erodes the village's identity and setting.

4. Lack of Demonstrated Housing Need

There is no clear demand within the local area for the type of housing proposed, particularly one-bedroom properties and flats. This type of development does not reflect the housing needs of the community and therefore fails to justify the impact it would have.

5. Environmental and Wildlife Impact

The proposed development would result in the loss of green space and would likely have a detrimental impact on local wildlife habitats. This area currently supports biodiversity which would be significantly harmed by construction and ongoing residential use. It is unclear how the development will achieve compliance with biodiversity net gain legislation as no plans to offset lost habitats have been provided.

6. Flood Risk Concerns

The whole area has poor drainage and is prone to flooding following heavy rainfall. This must be carefully considered and, in my view, makes the site unsuitable for development.

Conclusion

For the reasons outlined above, I strongly urge the council to refuse this application. The proposal is unsustainable, poses significant risks to infrastructure and safety, and would cause lasting harm to the character and environment of Meopham Village.

Kind regards