

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 21/05/2024 6:29 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	The Peacock Public House 78 Peacock Street Gravesend Kent DA12 1EG
Proposal:	REVISED DESCRIPTION cr Change of use of the basement and ground floor of the public house to use class F1(f) Public Worship or religious instruction (or in connection with such use).
Case Officer:	Mrs Lisa Fisher

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] St Andrews Road Gravesend

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	Parking in St Andrews Road is already overcrowded, one side does not even have permit restrictions; currently being abused for free parking by many post office workers and others who are not residents here. Both Peacock Street and St Andrews Road are rarely checked by parking enforcement. Adding another place of worship to Gravesend would encourage more people to leave their vehicles here for the entire day, this is not fair for residents who pay for a permit. The noise the construction would make to convert the property into a place of worship would disrupt local residents who work from home and those who need to sleep during the day after night shifts. And once fully running the noise would be constant during the day, exacerbating this would be people constantly coming and going from the property. The Peacock Pub previously at the site was only audible on some evenings, not at all hours of the day. The Muslim Community in Gravesend already has a well established community space, the Gravesend and Dartford Muslim Association is located in the Gravesend Central Mosque, only a 3 minute drive from the Peacock Pub location. And has car parking available. This Mosque is one of the oldest in Kent and offers teachings and worship free of charge. This association already has a prime location offering the same services, without the need for disruptive construction work. There is not a need for the proposed development with a better site so nearby. Other places of worship are a very short distance away. There are 19 churches of various denominations in Gravesend. The nearest is the Hope Reformed Baptist Church, a 1 minute drive from the Peacock Pub location. With so many churches nearby catering to all different forms of Christianity, yet another place of worship is not required. These churches already have regular groups attending, another site would not be required so nearby to well established churches. A large Gurdwara is in Gravesend, hosting fantastic festivals throughout the year
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bringing everyone together regardless of religious background. Siri Guru Nanak Darbar Gurdwara, is a 2 minute drive from the Peacock Pub location and has a large car park. Unlike the proposed Peacock Pub location which has no parking available, traffic to the proposed location would only disrupt the local residents.

The nearest Synagogue, in Chatham, is a 20 minute drive from the Peacock Pub location. The Chatham Memorial Synagogue is a beautiful grade 2* listed building, built in 1869. The Synagogue has a car park available and has been a Jewish place of worship for many years. The Peacock Pub lacks the cultural significance to become a respectable place of worship. Having previously been a pub, I do not think this would be an appropriate place to respectfully host public worship.

Changing the Peacock Pub on Peacock Street to a place of worship would harm the property character and appearance, this would be a shame to lose. So many well known locations in Gravesend are being changed over time, it would be a great loss to see the namesake of Peacock Street removed and the grand peacock bird sign changed.

Kind regards