

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 02/12/2024 10:06 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address: Former Tollgate Hotel Watling Street Gravesend Kent

Proposal: Demolition of existing buildings to provide an EV charging hub and petrol filling station, including 24 charging bays and supporting electrical infrastructure (12 charging upstands, three substations and two network cabinets), six pump islands with canopy above, a forecourt shop/amenity building, customer parking, two air and water spaces and associated hardstanding and landscaping, accessed from the Wrotham Road/eastbound A2 roundabout junction.

Case Officer: Mrs Alison Webster

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Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED] central avenue Gravesend

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: Emphatically in support of this proposal. The current site is a derelict eyesore and has been like that for years - this sort of development is perfect for the site and it is in an ideal location for motorway users just off the A2. If a development like this isn't allowed to go ahead, no residential dwellings are going to be built next to a major carriageway so presumably it will just remain a derelict unused site indefinitely.

It will also be beneficial to the local communities whether that be Gravesend or Istead Rise/Meopham, providing more choice in terms of retailers, there is no Marks and Spencer's (food products) in Gravesend currently, you either have to drive to Bluewater or Strood. There is clearly demand for fuel services in the area as the nearby Tollgate Shell garage is always full... I feel it will be better for consumers for there to be some local competition for that business, the service station has inadequate parking and is run down and poorly maintained/not clean - its sheltered location also attracts antisocial behaviour.

The provision of EV charging points make this development future proof and environmentally friendly, I can't see it being of any detriment to the local area whatsoever - there are no residential dwellings nearby. The large roundabout style junction constructed in 2007/2008 when the A2 was moved should mean that the current road system is capable of coping with any additional traffic the proposal creates.

I sincerely hope Gravesham council does the right thing for the local community and grants permission for this development.

Kind regards