

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 22/04/2026 12:57 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	61 Cross Lane East Gravesend Kent DA12 5HA
Proposal:	Change of Use from 5 bedroom HMO to 4 bedroom Children's Care Home with an additional staff bedroom.
Case Officer:	Mrs Lisa Fisher

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Cross Lane East Gravesend Kent

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments: Although the planning application details three car park spaces behind the 61 Cross Lane East, taking up a lot of the so-called garden area, experience from the current HMO parking tells me that most people are not willing to drive up the extremely rough and rutted track behind the bungalow to access it, so staff parking, coupled with that of visitor parking is unlikely to be less than at present, but more, causing more parking difficulty for residents and obstruction of existing driveways. This is an extremely busy and dangerous road with cars often exceeding the speed limit and travelling up to 50 mph, a race-track to the Echo roundabout.

Whilst a boundary of a mature laurel hedge will take considerable time to grow, replacing this with a 1.8m high fence on top of the existing 2 metre wall, as the Police report suggests, will make the place look like a prison, - aesthetically unattractive in the road, although I agree that this would be safer in protecting children from accident, safeguarding access issues and photography from paedophiles

I have huge concern about noise level, from loud music and anti-social behaviour from children in their older teens, affecting residents in the immediate environs, as young people are given more freedom into adulthood, plus the risk of substance abuse, petty and other theft from local houses, as well as littering. This is a quiet, family neighbourhood and residents would like this to continue to be the case. In my view this site is unsuitable and very unsafe for a Children's Home for many other reasons.

Kind regards