

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 08/12/2025 8:30 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land At Wrotham Road Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0AA
Proposal:	Outline application for the erection of up to 350 residential dwellings , public open space and associated works. Approval is sought for the principal means of vehicular access from Wrotham Road and all other matters are reserved.
Case Officer:	Mrs Katherine Parkin

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Pitfield Drive Meopham Kent Meopham

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	<p>Formal objection to the above planning application for residential development on designated Green Belt land. This proposal raises serious concerns regarding highway safety, harm to the character of the area, loss of productive farmland, and cumulative traffic impacts.</p> <p>The proposed development would introduce a significant increase in traffic volume, with up to 700 private vehicles plus regular delivery and service vehicles. This level of intensification on local roads will create severe safety hazards, increase congestion, and compromise emergency access. The risk of accidents will rise substantially, particularly during peak hours.</p> <p>The A227 is already heavily trafficked, especially near the Green Lane junction and the local shopping parade. Adding hundreds of additional vehicle movements will exacerbate congestion, create long delays, and increase the likelihood of collisions in an area that is already under strain.</p> <p>The development will harm the character and setting of the nearby Conservation Area. Large scale housing will introduce urbanisation into a rural landscape, eroding its historic and visual integrity. This is contrary to policies that seek to preserve heritage assets and their surroundings.</p> <p>The site comprises productive farmland that contributes to local and national food supply. Its permanent loss undermines agricultural sustainability and contradicts</p>
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planning principles that prioritise the protection of high quality agricultural land.

The shopping parade already suffers from frequent traffic incidents due to congestion, parking manoeuvres, and pedestrian activity. Increased traffic from the proposed development will worsen this accident black spot, creating unacceptable safety risks.

This section of Wrotham Road is full of parked cars alongside Meopham Community Academy and Mini Meophams Nursery during start and finish times. School drop-off and pick-up periods already cause severe congestion and obstruct visibility for drivers and pedestrians. Introducing hundreds of additional vehicles will compound these problems, making the road unsafe for children and families.

The existing pinch point near The George Inn is a well-known hazard where large vehicles struggle to pass safely. Increased traffic will lead to more frequent blockages, delays, and potential collisions, further reducing road safety and efficiency.

Kind regards