

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 04/12/2025 9:55 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land Adjacent To Longfield Road Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0EW
Proposal:	Outline application for the erection of up to 120 residential dwellings, public open space and associated works. Approval is sought for the principal means of vehicular access from Longfield Road and all other matters are reserved.
Case Officer:	Mrs Alison Webster

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Gravesend Kent

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments: This development would change the character of the area. Meopham is a village and should stay a village. This means preventing the urban sprawl. It also means protecting the surrounding countryside, farming fields and the nature that lives within it should be a priority for those already living in the area. This land is currently used and farmed, providing produce. With mental health in this country declining (see Mind's report 2025) we need to protect the areas that support mental health - green spaces. There has been so much research on how green spaces support mental health. Transport - local public transport is sparse. Buses are infrequent and not relied upon - existing residents mostly use cars to get about. The train station is used by those that commute, but can be crowded with standing room only. Unless there was investment in public transport, there would be another 240 cars on the road on narrow country lanes (allowing for 2 cars per household average). Healthcare - it's well known that access to healthcare is reduced due to patient loads for GP surgeries and the local hospital (daren't Valley). Taking the average 2.4 family, this could mean an extra 480 people on this development alone. This development is adjacent to the Helen Allison school, run by the National Autistic Society. The pupils needs and wellbeing should be taken into consideration on the possible impact of extra cars and residents in the area directly next to the school. At school pick up and drop off times this development could cause real distress to the children and their carers due to increase in cars and residents in the area, not to mention there is also Meopham Community Academy a few metres further along the road. Residents already have to park

half on the road and half pavement outside their homes and it gets congested at certain times of the day as traffic weaves in and out of parked cars to travel along the road.

With two other planning applications being considered for the surrounding area, this means approx 620 houses and therefore the possibility of severe congestion along narrow country lanes.

Kind regards