

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 22/12/2025 3:08 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land West Of Norwood Lane Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0YE
Proposal:	Outline application with all matters reserved (except access) for a development of up to 150 dwellings (Use Class C3), including affordable dwellings, and associated landscaping, public open space and infrastructure works.
Case Officer:	Mrs Alison Webster

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Customer Details

Name:

Email:

Address:

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	Objection

- Building on Green Belt land

The site is in the Green Belt. National planning rules (NPPF) say that building houses in the Green Belt should only happen in very special circumstances, which have not been shown here. This proposal would permanently damage the open countryside around Meopham and conflicts with Gravesham Local Plan Policies CS02 and CS12, which protect the Green Belt and rural character.

- Too large for a small village

Up to 150 homes is far too many for a village the size of Meopham. This level of growth would overwhelm local services and change the character of the village, contrary to Local Plan Policy CS02 and CS19, which require development to be appropriate to its location.

- No capacity at the doctor's surgery

The local GP surgery has clearly stated that it has no capacity to take on more patients. Approving this development without adequate healthcare provision goes against Local Plan Policy CS08, which requires infrastructure to be in place to support new development.

- Unsafe and unsuitable roads

The surrounding roads are narrow, rural lanes with little or no street lighting. They

are already difficult for pedestrians and dangerous for cyclists. Adding large amounts of extra traffic would worsen safety and congestion, conflicting with Local Plan Policies CS11 and CS20, which aim to ensure safe access and protect highway safety.

- Flooding concerns

This area has a history of flooding. Covering large areas of land with houses and roads will increase surface water runoff and make flooding worse, which conflicts with Local Plan Policy CS16 and national guidance on managing flood risk.

- Damage to wildlife and hedgerows

The hedgerows around the site are used by amber- and red-listed bird species. Removing or disturbing them would harm local wildlife and goes against Local Plan Policy CS12, which seeks to protect biodiversity and the natural environment.

- Cumulative impact ignored

There are already several current or potential housing developments around Meopham. When added together, the impact on roads, services, and the countryside would be significant. This cumulative impact has not been properly considered, contrary to sound planning principles.

Kind regards