

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 20/01/2026 5:56 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land At Rose Farm Downs Road Istead Rise Gravesend Kent
Proposal:	Outline planning application for the demolition of 64 Downs Road and erection of up to 154No. residential dwellings (including affordable housing), with all matters reserved except for access. Creation of a new access from Downs Road.
Case Officer:	Adeoye Lawal

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	Fairview Road Istead Rise Gravesend

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	The building of these houses will impact severely on Istead Rise as a community. It will increase the traffic, especially in an area where there is a primary school close to the building site causing more pollution and noise which is hazardous to young children which also includes the loss of privacy for the houses within Downs Road. The schools within the area are already at maximum capacity but there is no infrastructure to be incorporated to build new schools, doctor surgeries, hospitals or update the sewage system to ensure this development will not put further pressure on an already struggling system. The road is in a valley which already has flooding issues which will be increased from the new houses and added damage to the roads which already incur a huge amount of traffic with many lorries traveling to the site. Pressure will be added on the doctors surgery and local hospital which are already at maximum capacity without the addition of further minimum of another 154 people giving just one person per premise plus the local roads including the A227 and A2 which increasingly have delays and accidents due to the present the volume of traffic presently using these roads. The wildlife of bats, owls and other animals within the vicinity will be damaged and suffer causing damage to their habitat with the loss of valuable green belt which will never be retrieved. The building of these houses are inappropriate and does not reflect the need of the residents of Istead Rise just completing numbers for Gravesend Council to fulfill their quota of housing. Surely it is more beneficial to use derelict buildings/houses and flats within the Gravesend area which are empty rather
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than destroying the green belt area which is enjoyed by many and giving clean air to those living within the vicinity.

The increased volume of vehicles within the area will also impact on the air pollution as there is little infrastructure for public transport as the bus service within the area is almost non-existent and access to railway lines is only accessible via driving.

No regard for the people of Istead Rise has been taken into consideration as to their needs prior to the building of these premises to satisfy a government's numbers for new unwanted houses to be built which will be unaffordable to those within the area and many people within the vicinity unless they earn, at present, approximately £130k per year.

Kind regards