

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 11/08/2025 12:35 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Narnia Leafy Lane Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0DR
Proposal:	Alteration and extension of existing annexe to provide additional living accommodation.
Case Officer:	Mr Ethan Bonthron

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Customer Details

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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	

Comments:

On behalf of the National Annexe Planning Consultancy (NAPC), I write in support of planning application reference 20250722, which seeks permission for the alteration and extension of the existing annexe to provide additional living accommodation at Narnia, Leafy Lane, Meopham, Gravesend, Kent DA13 0DR.

NAPC's national position is that ancillary and modular development, such as the proposed extension, makes efficient use of existing residential plots and supports flexible living arrangements, particularly for multigenerational families. As the leading consultancy in this field, we recognise that well-designed annexes offer a sustainable response to housing and care pressures, delivering much-needed accommodation without necessitating large-scale new development. The ancillary nature of the proposal is central to its planning merits, ensuring that the accommodation remains functionally linked to the main dwelling and does not create a separate, independent unit.

In reviewing the application, we encourage careful consideration of the scale, layout, and access arrangements to ensure the extended annexe remains subordinate to the main house and integrated within the existing residential curtilage. It is important that the risk of future separation from the principal dwelling is minimised, both through design and appropriate planning conditions. We would be pleased to offer the applicant expert advice to help ensure ongoing policy compliance and long-term peace of mind; further information and support can be found at <https://napc.uk/annexe-support/>.

We also encourage the local planning authority to consider the adoption of supportive annexe policies in future iterations of the local plan. Experience from Ireland and California demonstrates that ancillary accommodation can play a significant role in relieving housing pressure, supporting families, and fostering sustainable communities.

Should the applicant or the council require further guidance on best practice for ancillary accommodation, NAPC would be delighted to assist in a constructive and collaborative manner.

Kind regards