

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 25/09/2025 8:35 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Blackthorn Farm Wrotham Road Meopham Gravesend Kent
Proposal:	Outline planning application for up to 100No. residential dwellings (including affordable housing), with all matter reserved except for access and creation of a new access from A227/South Street.
Case Officer:	Ms Amanda Cue

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Customer Details

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

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:

- In the area, there are bats, crested newts and around 20 species of birds.
- There is ancient woodland running alongside the site, and 100 new homes will have a very negative effect on this land
- There will be runoff to the woodland, and the area is prone to flooding; this build will increase the flooding risk.
- The pressure on the A227 will increase; already the road is overly used during peaks in the day and further traffic, not only from the build but with an additional 200 to 400 cars from new residents. Also bear in mind that if the Lower Thames crossing goes ahead, the A227 will quickly become a rat run for that from the M20. The A227 has already had a few sinkholes due to heavy traffic over the years. On the road by the site, there was a recent accident with 30 injuries, with one child paralysed and another killed. This build is going to make the road far more dangerous.
- The houses will be over 4 miles from the nearest train station, with a very sparse bus service, meaning anyone in sustainable housing and no personal transport will be housebound.
- The nearest shopping is one Cost Cutter. The Camer parade is already gridlocked for parking most of the day, and supermarkets are over 8 miles away.
- There is only one exit from the site, and the road the site is being built alongside is not fit to take a big increase in traffic.
- The primary school in Culverstone is already near capacity, and the secondary school would need to be expanded
- The planning has no impact mitigation for traffic.
- The buildings will increase light pollution in the area
- Water for the area comes from Aquifers, and this will increase the strain on them
- The local Hospital, Darent Valley, is already at capacity, as are the two GP surgeries.
- There is only one exit from the site, and there are narrow lanes all around the area
- The housing will be viewable from Happy Valley, an area of natural beauty.
- On a general note, we seek to protect the Local villages. This build, along with

the others, will gradually merge the separate villages into one. People moved to the local villages to seek a countryside life, and now, due to central government failures over the past 30 years, we are being asked to forgo that life. If we had wanted to move to a town, we would have done so at the onset rather than pay a premium to live in this area

Kind regards