

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 13/05/2025 4:59 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	The Peacock Public House 78 Peacock Street Gravesend Kent DA12 1EG
Proposal:	Change of use from Public House (sui generis) to Place of Worship or Religious Instruction (Class F1) at ground floor.
Case Officer:	Mrs Lisa Fisher

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	Regents Court West Street Gravesend

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:

I write in support of the planning application to convert the disused Peacock Pub in Gravesend into a Place of Worship for the needs of the local demography at present.

This proposal offers a sustainable reuse of a heritage community building, in line with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) which encourages "the provision and use of shared spaces, community facilities (such as... public houses and places of worship)" to enhance sustainable communities.
Reference: NPPF Paragraph 92

The application meets community needs: existing mosques in the area are overcrowded, and this project proposes not only a prayer space, but also a food bank, madrasa, and youth club - encouraging real local benefit. Past concerns about noise, parking and amenity have been addressed, and there is no planning basis to reject this proposal further.

The Public Sector Equality Duty under the Equality Act 2010 legally requires local authorities to:

- Eliminate discrimination
- Advance equality of opportunity
- Foster good relations between different communities

This includes respecting religious belief and ensuring Muslims are treated equally under planning law.
Reference: Equality Act 2010 - Section 149

Planning decisions must be based on land use and impact, not religious identity. The NPPF also makes clear that planning should not discriminate against faith-based development.

Thank you for your consideration on this important matter raised.

Kind regards