

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 19/01/2026 6:06 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:	[REDACTED] Arcadia Road Istead Rise Gravesend

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	Clearly the only beneficiary of this project will be Esquire with this ill conceived plan. To build 154 houses on good farmland (with a river flowing underneath I understand) will add probably 250 more cars to our small area, will make the very difficult task of seeing a doctor even worse, and will certainly further compromise the difficulty of residents getting their primary school children into the school on Downs Road. Obviously this is something that the developer would have no concerns about as they will simply move on to another site - they won't have to live here and suffer the consequences. This is not Nimbyism but common sense when all the facts which doubtless have been laid before you are considered. If allowed to go ahead there will be no reason for the developer not to return and build on another parcel of land and then another and so on. This is against a background of the thousands of houses sensibly being built in the Ebbsfleet area on non farmland which is far from attractive, offering decent public transport, something that Istead Rise does not enjoy, if the reader has ever had to rely on buses in this immediate area. With the current government giving carte blanche to developers to build over our precious green belt, one can't blame Esquire for trying to concrete over another chunk as they will no doubt make a significant amount of money on this deal. The fact that it will disrupt lives, go a good way to ruin what is not a bad community and have an absolutely negative affect on the poor souls who will have to look at this eyesore, will be of no concern to those making money out of this deal.
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Hopefully those on the planning committee will see it for what it is and reject the application. Thank you, [REDACTED]

Kind regards