

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 10:00 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:	Castlefields Gravesend

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

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I totally object against these plans.
Reasons for my objection, as a person who has lived in Istead Rise for 28 years and just up the road from Downs Road.

1. The farm land should be left as farm land, we are a rural area which means farm land around the Istead Rise should not be built on.
2. The wildlife in the planned land will be gone, the world needs wildlife to survive.
3. There are many derelict buildings in Gravesham that could be use for dwellings, the old maternity hospital in Gravesend and old police station, which are in desperate need of development, amongst many others.
4. The traffic is horrendous in and around Istead rise, during the beginning and the end of the school day and if there are accidents on the A2 or Wrotham roads, which are very frequent. Down Road and Arcadia Road do not need any more traffic especially next to a primary school.
5. With 154 houses planned and I believe if this goes through then there is no stopping another phase after that to be built further towards New Barn Road. Which means at least 200-300 cars traveling in and out of the entrance on Downs Road.
6. Downs road isn't wide enough to take all that traffic, which home owners parking on the road it leaves only one lane.
7. The pollution coming from cars, more houses, the risk to the environment and the public health will be compromised and a knock on effect to the local GP's and NHS hospitals. Both

of which are struggling at the present moment.

8. The safety of school children are at risk, with the environment and road safety.

9. The flooding on those fields

Make it hard to visualise how houses can be built to withstand this and again shouldn't be built on.

10. The roads around Istead Rise are generally busy all the time, Wrotham Road, Broadditch Road and New Barn Road are not built to take any more road and Broadditch Road is constantly flooded as the the drains cannot cope with the rain fall that we frequently get due to climate change which the new development is only going to make it worse.

Kind regards