

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 01/06/2026 1:50 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Nuralite Industrial Estate Canal Road Higham Rochester Kent ME3 7JA
Proposal:	Application for approval of condition 2, 5, 8, 9, 11 and 12 attached to planning permission reference number 20250721 relating to full details of the road improvements works at the Canal Road / Chequers Street / Church Street /Lower Rochester Road junction (2), full details of the phasing of the development (5), a comprehensive Demolition and Construction Logistics Plan covering all environmental impacts (8), a full Construction Traffic Management Plan (9), an updated preliminary ecological appraisal and review and of the site wide mitigation strategy (11) and a strategy to deal with the potential risks associated with any contamination of the site or the relevant phase (12).
Case Officer:	Mr Richard Hart

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Chequers Street Higham

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	I am a resident of Chequers Street in Higham and wish to formally object to the proposed changes to the road layout and roundabout. There is already limited parking for residents who live on Chequers Street, which I will expand on further, but my most serious concern that I wish to address first is the safety of my [REDACTED] and how he will safely be able to access his home. Our childminder who cares for him at home throughout the working week takes him to and from school/appointments. He has limited understanding on road safety and has no sense of danger in general. When walking outside the home he occasionally tries to run off, despite us holding his hand. There are no suggested replacement/alternative parking arrangements, and the surrounding roads are narrow lanes with no pavements for pedestrians to walk along safely. The narrow surrounding roads (Canal Road, Church Street, Lower Rochester Road) have cars and HGVs travelling down them regularly and unfortunately, they occasionally travel at speed.
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In addition to the safety of my child, there are several residents and their visitors who are elderly, disabled and unable to walk far. By adding these road restrictions, you will be preventing them from accessing homes along Chequers Street which will have a severe impact on their right to family life.

Canal Road was previously deemed unsuitable for HGV use by the Traffic Commissioner which seems to have been completely ignored. There is already a significant number of HGVs regularly passing down Chequers Street and the surrounding roads and those restrictions being proposed would likely increase this, placing additional pressure on roads that are already struggling to accommodate the heavy industrial traffic.

The removal of the limited parking is likely to have a detrimental impact on the values of the properties within this area. If there is no provision for parking or viable parking access, the properties will become potentially unsellable and could result in reducing house prices significantly. Who will then be responsible for the financial loss incurred but the affected residents?

In addition, a number of residents on the street have regular deliveries of heating oil as there is no gas supply. The restrictions would prevent any future deliveries which would mean that homes would become inhabitable.

Kind regards