

# Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 29/11/2025 2:25 PM from [REDACTED]

## Application Summary

Address: Land Adjacent To Longfield Road Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0EW

Proposal: Outline application for the erection of up to 120 residential dwellings, public open space and associated works. Approval is sought for the principal means of vehicular access from Longfield Road and all other matters are reserved.

Case Officer: Mrs Alison Webster

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## Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

## Comments Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: Transport Impact  
The A227 is already a very busy road. The junction from the A227 to Longfield Road is right next to Meopham junior school. Entrance to the parking by the parade of shops is very close to the crossing island used by Meopham junior school and the junction with Longfield Road. A central island and verge side posts have recently had to be installed opposite the parade of shops to deal with illegal parking. There is always extensive parking along the A227 and down Longfield Road at school start and finish times, creating congestion for northbound traffic, especially when there is parking on both sides of the road, reducing the flow to a single lane.

With work on the new Thames Crossing imminently starting, additional pressure on the A2 by its junction to Cobham would be significantly increased, adding to additional traffic congestion on the A2 and A227.

Inconsistency with Green Belt and Local Area

How does this project protect the environment and respect the heritage of the village?

Loss of prime farmland, hedgerows and trees. Impact on wildlife.

Meopham is a historic village. It has moved with the times over the years, with developments of mixed housing, dating back to the 1960s. Further development would destroy the character and rural setting of the village.

The application includes reference to 'open space'. Meopham already has access to wonderful natural open spaces - Camer Park, Jeskyns, Ashenbank Wood, Cobham Woods and Shorne Country Park - all linked by a much used network of footpaths.

Lack of Social Infrastructure

Meopham School has recently been expanded with land taken for additional car parking and bus access. The school currently has c.1000 pupils, many of whom are bussed in from other areas. This is an extract from the school website:

Meopham School is a warm and inclusive community, set in a beautiful rural setting in the historic village of Meopham. Our picturesque and inspiring location offers students a truly unique opportunity to be educated and inspired around the beauty of nature and village life.

This claim will no longer be valid if an additional 500 houses are built in the immediate environment. (This application plus Ref 20250992) plus the proposed Travellers' site in Sole Street.

The GP surgery shares the same site as Meopham School, as does the Busy Bees nursery and Meopham Leisure Centre. Additional call on access from the A227 and parking would be inevitable. The surgery patient list would also be adversely affected.

Another 450+ pupils attend the Meopham Community Academy where there is also an onsite nursery. Next door is the Helen Allison school for autistic children. Access to both schools is right next to the junction of Longfield Road and the A227. There is little on site parking and residents of neighbouring houses have no off road parking. On street parking in the morning and afternoon is greatly increased, affecting the through flow of traffic to and from Longfield. It is just beyond this bottle neck where this development is proposed.

This application should not be approved on many counts.

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Kind regards