

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 26/02/2024 6:09 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address: Former St Josephs Convent Preparatory School 46 Old Road East Gravesend
Kent DA12 1NR

Proposal: Conversion of existing Victorian building into 6 flats. Demolition of existing outbuildings. Erection of a 3 storey medical centre. Erection of a building containing 7no flats. Erection of 41no houses. Associated works to include; access, public open space and landscaping.

Case Officer: Mr Ethan Bonthron

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Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED] Townfield Corner Gravesend

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: I object to the planning application number 20240013.

I wish to object on the following grounds:

1. The increase in traffic - the already busy main routes will become more congested with so many properties on the new proposed site plus a continuous stream of traffic turning into the site to access the medical centre. Park Avenue, Milton Avenue, Parrock Avenue and other side-roads will be used as a cut-through by drivers trying to avoid congestion. There will be an increased risk to the safety of pedestrians and all other road users with the crossing of traffic on Old Road East as vehicles enter and exit the site.

There should be a left turn only, for entry and exit of the site.

2. An increase in air pollution - queuing traffic and exhaust emissions in congested roads surrounding the development site are likely to increase air pollution levels for households and for visitors to the church, the pre-school and the shops at the Echo Junction area, an area only recently showing adequate level of air quality (it was previously an AQMA area - 2009 onwards).

3. The loss of a greenspace - the playing field was not just used by the school. It was used by local sports teams and supported wider community function.

4. Parking - the provision for parking will not meet demand; there is insufficient parking planned for the medical centre; side roads will again be affected by cars being parked in surrounding streets.

5. Security - the proposed medical centre area is accessible to the public at all times. There is no secure perimeter fencing for the medical centre, and therefore the new development does not minimize the risk of crime. Furthermore, there is also the potential for anti-social behaviour, particularly with a cut-through from Coombe Road onto the site, giving easy access to criminals on two wheels, e-scooters or on foot escaping out onto Old Road East and on through to other alleyways such as Church Walk.

I object to the proposal. Amendments and revisions to the application may reduce the adverse effects and negative impact that the current application has on the community.

Kind regards