

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 03/12/2025 10:06 AM from Mr David Munn.

Application Summary

Address:	Nuralite Industrial Estate Canal Road Higham Rochester Kent ME3 7JA
Proposal:	Application for removal of condition 4 ,6,12 and variation of condition 7 attached to 20190290 - The proposal is for the systematic redevelopment of the existing Nuralite site. This includes the importation of inert materials to cap, and landscape the historic asbestos landfill, thus containing its contamination risk. To demolish the existing buildings of the Nuralite industrial estate, deal with existing contamination, both through capping and removal of areas of hydrocarbon pollution, the laying of new service and utility infrastructure and the construction of 11 new purpose built light industrial type units and a site office; to allow removal of passing places, temporary traffic controls, Archaeological works and implementation of a permanent TRO for all traffic.
Case Officer:	Mr Richard Hart

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Customer Details

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Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

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I wish to strongly OBJECT to this proposal, for the following reasons:-
The proposed TRO is for 'all traffic', which includes pedestrians, cyclists, equestrians and horse drawn vehicles, with the only exception being access by pedestrians to 'premises' on or adjoining the highway - another public right of way is not 'premises'.

The TRO would therefore have the effect of:-

- Preventing westbound access from FP NS71 to FP NS142.
- Preventing westbound access from FP NS141 to RB NS151
- Preventing westbound access from FP NS142 to FP NS143
- Preventing eastbound access from RB NS152 to RB NS151 & FP NS148
- Preventing eastbound access from FP NS148 to FP NS149
- Disruption to the connections from the PROW network to the NCN routes

Under the current signage proposals, there is a set of No Entry signs that would

make users of NS152 aware that they cannot turn east, a One Way sign at the north end of NS152 indicating that the road is one way east but nothing to indicate that non-motorised users aren't allowed to turn west. There are no signs proposed at any other PROW junctions to indicate that there would be restrictions on which way they could turn.

As well as rendering a significant proportion of the PROW network legally redundant, the proposals would create safety hazards as a result of PROW users being unaware that they are not permitted to go against the flow of traffic and a consequently higher risk of accidents involving collisions with vehicles, which will be travelling at higher speeds and not expecting anything to come in the opposite direction.

The only way to overcome these issues is to remove all non-motorised users from the proposed restrictions and install adequate signage and road safety measures.

David Munn - West Kent Area PROW Manager, Kent County Council

Kind regards