

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 07/01/2026 3:21 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land West Of Norwood Lane Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0YE
Proposal:	Outline application with all matters reserved (except access) for a development of up to 150 dwellings (Use Class C3), including affordable dwellings, and associated landscaping, public open space and infrastructure works.
Case Officer:	Mrs Alison Webster

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Customer Details

Name:

Email:

Address:

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:

I wish to formally object to this planning application on the basis that it is contrary to national and local planning policy, unsustainable, and harmful to both the Green Belt and the existing community.

1. Conflict with Green Belt Policy (Including "Grey Belt")
This proposal is fundamentally inconsistent with the purposes of the Green Belt as set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). Specifically, it would:

- contribute to unrestricted urban sprawl
- erode the separation between neighbouring settlements
- result in inappropriate encroachment into the countryside
- harm the character and setting of the local area

Even where land is referred to as "grey belt," development must still demonstrate that it is not inappropriate and is sustainably located. This application fails to do so and would undermine the integrity and long-term function of the Green Belt.

2. Lack of Adequate Infrastructure & Services
The current infrastructure cannot support additional development of this scale. There is already significant pressure on:

- transport networks, with congestion and highway safety concerns
- public transport, which is limited and inadequate
- healthcare provision, including local GP surgeries and hospitals already operating at capacity
- education provision, with limited school and college spaces

Furthermore, the site presents flood risk concerns and insufficient reassurance

has been provided that drainage arrangements would not worsen flooding locally.

3. Harm to Local Character and Residential Amenity

The design, scale and density of the proposed development are not sympathetic to the existing area and would alter its established character. The scheme risks:

- loss of privacy and overlooking for neighbouring homes
- overshadowing and reduced daylight
- an overbearing built form dominating existing properties
- increased noise, pollution and disturbance, both during construction and long-term

These represent a clear and demonstrable loss of amenity for existing residents.

4. Environmental and Ecological Damage

The proposed development would cause permanent environmental harm, including:

- loss of biodiversity and wildlife habitats
- removal of trees, hedgerows and natural landscape features
- potential disturbance of environmentally sensitive land

The environmental value of this land must not be disregarded simply because it is described as "grey belt".

Kind regards