

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 07/03/2026 4:21 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land North Of Camer Road Meopham Gravesend Kent
Proposal:	Outline planning application for up to 725 dwellings (Use Class C3), a new two-form entry primary school (Use Class F1), a Local Centre (up to 500sqm of Class E floorspace), the provision of Public Open Space including sport and recreation facilities alongside associated access, landscaping, parking, and infrastructure; with all matters reserved except for access.
Case Officer:	Mrs Katherine Parkin

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Norwood Lane Meopham

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	RE: FORMAL OBJECTION Dear Case Officer, I am writing as a local resident of Meopham to register my strongest possible objection to the proposed residential development on Norwood Lane. This proposal represents a disproportionate and unsustainable expansion that would cause irreparable harm to the Green Belt and the character of our village. My objection is based on the following material planning considerations: 1. Inappropriate Development in the Metropolitan Green Belt The application site is situated entirely within the Green Belt. Under the NPPF, "inappropriate development is, by definition, harmful to the Green Belt and should not be approved except in very special circumstances." The applicant has failed to demonstrate any such circumstances that outweigh the permanent loss of this open countryside. This proposal fails to meet the core Green Belt purposes of safeguarding the countryside from encroachment and preventing the merger of neighboring settlements (Meopham and Sole Street). 2. Severe Impact on Highway Safety and Congestion The scale of this development-adding an estimated 1,200+ vehicles to the local network-is entirely unsuitable for the rural nature of Norwood Lane and the surrounding minor roads. The increased pressure on the A227 junction will result in severe congestion. Furthermore, the lack of continuous footways on Norwood Lane poses a direct safety risk to pedestrians, particularly children and the
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elderly, which cannot be mitigated by the current proposal.

3. Lack of Sustainable Infrastructure

Meopham's existing infrastructure is already at a breaking point. Our local GP surgery, Meopham Medical Centre, and our primary and secondary schools are operating at full capacity. This development would place an unsustainable burden on these essential services. Additionally, the site is not well-served by high-frequency public transport, meaning the development will be overwhelmingly car-dependent, contrary to the sustainability goals of the Gravesham Local Plan.

4. Loss of Biodiversity and Agricultural Land

The site consists of high-quality agricultural land and provides a vital habitat for protected species, including [mention any birds/bats/wildlife you see]. The urbanisation of this greenfield site would destroy established wildlife corridors and permanently scar the landscape setting of the nearby Camer Country Park.

Conclusion

For the reasons stated above, this proposal is a direct violation of both national and local planning policies. I respectfully urge the Council to refuse this application to protect the integrity of the Green Belt and the future of the Meopham community.

Kind regards