

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 18/03/2026 5:14 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

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Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:

Objection to Planning Application for 740 Dwellings on Green Belt Land - Planning Application 20260207

I am writing to register my strong objection to the planning application proposing the construction of 740 dwellings on designated Green Belt land. This development is wholly inappropriate for the location and raises several significant planning concerns that cannot be overlooked.

The reasons for objecting are:-

1. Inappropriate Development on Green Belt Land.

The proposed site is Green Belt, not "Greybelt", and therefore carries the highest level of protection. National and local planning policy is clear:

- Green Belt development is inappropriate unless "very special circumstances" can be demonstrated.

- No such circumstances have been evidenced in this application.

The scale of the proposal - 740 dwellings - would cause a severe and irreversible loss of openness, fundamentally undermining the purpose of the Green Belt:

- Preventing urban sprawl
- Safeguarding the countryside from encroachment
- Preserving the character of rural areas

This development would permanently alter the landscape in the area and destroy the openness that the Green Belt designation is intended to protect.

2. Insufficient Road and Transport Infrastructure.

The existing road network is already under strain. The surrounding roads are not designed to accommodate the significant increase in traffic that 740 new homes would generate. Key concerns include:

- Increased congestion on already busy local routes
- Safety risks on narrow or rural roads
- Lack of capacity at key junctions
- No credible plan for sustainable transport alternatives

Without substantial infrastructure upgrades, none of which are adequately addressed in the application, the development would create severe transport impacts.

3. Pressure on Local Medical and Public Services.

Local medical services, including GP surgeries and hospitals, are already operating at or beyond capacity. Adding a population of this size would:

- Increase waiting times
- Reduce access to essential healthcare
- Place additional pressure on emergency services

The application does not provide any realistic or deliverable plan to expand medical provision to meet the increased demand.

4. Harm to the Countryside and Local Environment.

The proposal would have a significant detrimental impact on the character and quality of the countryside, including:

- Loss of natural habitats and biodiversity
 - Increased air pollution from additional vehicle movements
 - Greater light pollution affecting wildlife and the rural night environment
 - Reduction in green space used by the community for recreation and wellbeing
- The cumulative environmental harm is substantial and unacceptable.

5. Unsustainable Scale and Density.

The scale of 740 dwellings is entirely disproportionate to the surrounding area. It would effectively create a new settlement without the infrastructure, services, or transport links required to support it. This is not sustainable development by any reasonable definition.

The long term damage to the area far outweighs any short term housing gains.

6. Cumulative Impact of Multiple Large Developments in the Meopham Area.

In addition to the concerns outlined above, it is essential to highlight that several other major housing developments are already proposed in the wider Meopham area, creating a significant cumulative impact on local infrastructure, landscape, and services.

These developments, taken together, I believe represent well over 1,500 additional dwellings being considered in and around Meopham alone.

Conclusion.

For the reasons outlined above - including the inappropriate loss of Green Belt land, inadequate infrastructure, pressure on medical services, environmental harm, and the unsustainable scale of the proposal - I urge the planning authority to refuse this application in full.

Kind regards