

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 5:42 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 MEOPHAM, GRAVESEND

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	This is a wholly inappropriate proposal for many reasons.

1. Greenbelt

I have lived in Norwood Lane for [REDACTED] and this land was always protected greenbelt and has and remains farmed for local food. The plot is NOT included in the Council's local plan, is not 'greybelt' and is not designated as suitable for development by the Council.

The proposed development is huge and would merge Sole Street with Meopham. This would cause urban sprawl, ruin the unique character of the existing communities, cause light and air pollution, put unmanageable strain on local amenities (already at full capacity) and damage wildlife habitats in the fields and in Blundells Shaw copse in particular.

The local doctors surgeries have said they could not cope with this and the water authority says it will not be able to provide water to 2/3 of the proposed new buildings in Kent.

This application should not be looked at in isolation as there are other applications being considered including one on the other side of Norwood Lane, backing on to Tradescant Avenue and opposite Tesco. Our village is under attack

on many fronts.

2. Size

Such a huge development would ruin the character of this rural village. Up to 725 dwellings are proposed, some 3 storey, which is out of keeping with the area, and would be bigger than Sole Street itself along with a school and local centre.

3. Road Safety and Congestion

Access is completely inadequate. Norwood Lane and Green Lane are narrow country lanes without lighting or pavements so are completely unsuitable and local roads are already overused with potholes everywhere. This development would add 1450+ cars for residents as well as additional traffic serving the proposed school and local centre. The proposal to only allow bus access at the top of Norwood Lane is unworkable.

There is a dangerous bend on Green Lane near Camer Park which makes it even more unsuitable for increased residential traffic. The country lanes around the site are already busy and adding so many more cars would bring roads to a standstill, especially at the A227 junction with Green Lane.

Parking at Camer Parade shops is already difficult due to limited bays and an inadequate overspill car park; this situation would worsen with an additional huge development.

4. Flooding

This has been a problem locally and loss of open fields to capture water will make matters worse.

5.. Loss of agricultural land:

High-grade farmland that has been farmed for centuries would be permanently lost, reducing local food production.

The potential impact of this development would be devastating for all the above reasons and no amount of mitigation would alleviate the many clear problems.

I am particularly upset about the potential loss of the rural character of such an historic village. The proposal would irreparably damage Meopham and Sole Street. The Green Belt grade 2 agricultural land between the two villages as always been protected in the past and this application should be refused.

Kind regards