

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 06/05/2025 8:07 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land At Wrotham Road Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0AA
Proposal:	Request for a screening opinion in accordance with The Town and Country Planning Act (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 in respect of an EIA Screening Opinion to determine whether two outline planning applications for residential developments, one for up to 350 dwellings and one for up to 120 dwellings, at Meopham, Wrotham Road constitutes EIA development.
Case Officer:	Ms Amanda Cue

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Meopham Gravesend

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments: This development and those like it do not (as is required under the new framework) Prevent the unchecked sprawl of large urban areas. The do exactly that. As outlined in the recent development consultation (instructed by Gravesham borough council) the field opposite the parade was identified as the highest risk of impacting the green belt and, the essence of the village.

The NFFP in its new revised form sets out:

"limited infilling or the partial or complete redevelopment..... which would not cause substantial harm to the openness of the Green Belt."

These locations, again as outlined in Graveshams development consultation would cause substantial harm to the openness of the Green belt in Meopham. They are positioned on the boundary of an area of outstanding natural beauty.

Where exception has been made for developments offering local facilities in this case a car park for the parade. No consideration has been made for traffic flow and pedestrian safety when crossing an A Road which are both existing issues.

The traffic in the area around the development particularly in rush hour is extensive and the balance of road users and pedestrians is currently at breaking point. Particularly in the surrounding lanes that are used as cut throughs by the road users because the A227 is congested. Many walkers and school children use these lanes and adding more congestion and people to the area would require a significant rethink on the local infrastructure and road network to both ensure safety and not detract from the living standards of existing residents and road users.

There is also no provision for other infrastructure such as doctors, schools and amenities which are all currently at capacity. The addition of hundreds of houses

and potentially thousands more people to the area is implausible in the congested (desperate to remain)... 'village' of Meopham.

There is no consideration of local wildlife habitats. Recently returning bird species such as Red Kites actively hunt and nest in these fields. Evidence available.

Kind regards