

# Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 03/12/2025 5:48 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:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Tradescant Drive Meopham Gravesend

## Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	<p>I strongly oppose the planning application for 150 houses on this prime, beautiful farmland that is currently actively farmed and contributes to our food production. In no way can it be considered low grade agricultural land and there is no case to release this Green Belt land for housing. The land also supports the habitat of small animals, birds and bats (contributing to biodiversity), has beautiful mature trees and hedges and the rural setting provides key health benefits for the wellbeing of the community.</p> <p>The proposed site with access on to Green Lane (which is a narrow country lane) seems fraught with dangers to the local population especially taking into account the entrance's close proximity to the junction with Camer Park Road, also a difficult intersection/blind corner. Plus at various parts of Green Lane, two vehicles cannot be adjacent - these pinch points currently cause traffic to build up. The increase in population from additional housing will inevitably mean more cars heading on more local roads with more vehicle emissions and the associated health risks. Wrotham Road is already heavy with traffic and gridlocked during school runs and when traffic re-routes through Meopham because of problems on A2 or M20. It is likely that this development will see more vehicles using Norwood Lane as a cut through from A227. This "lane" is also very narrow and has a poor road surface, subject to flooding.</p> <p>In addition, I object to this application as the infrastructure in Meopham is already overstretched with the GP Practice, local pharmacy and Darent Valley Hospital</p>

already at capacity and struggling to meet current demand. Buses are occasional (and non-existent on a Sunday) and commuters already struggle to get a seat on trains into London as it is (and Sole Street has a very limited rail service). If this means more people from new houses will take to commuting by car, the A227 and surrounding roads in Meopham will be at a constant standstill. The A227 also regularly struggles with heavy rainfall and becomes flooded because of poor drainage making it more hazardous.

Finally, I think the Green Belt area should be protected and not built on to support the wellbeing of locals and visitors alike. The NHS and other mental health charities encourage us to commune with nature and green spaces to enhance physical fitness and practise mindfulness. This piece of land has a public footpath across it with a glorious, open vista of a rural landscape which should be preserved. How are we to embrace and enjoy these beautiful areas when all the Green Belt has been turned into housing estates?

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Kind regards