

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 24/09/2025 8:20 AM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Blackthorn Farm Wrotham Road Meopham Gravesend Kent
Proposal:	Outline planning application for up to 100No. residential dwellings (including affordable housing), with all matter reserved except for access and creation of a new access from A227/South Street.
Case Officer:	Ms Amanda Cue

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Customer Details

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

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments: I write to formally object to the proposed development of 100 new houses on Wrotham Road, near Culverstone school.

1. Green Belt Concerns

The proposed site lies within designated Green Belt land. National and local planning policies are clear that Green Belt should only be developed in very exceptional circumstances. This proposal does not demonstrate such circumstances and would result in the irreversible loss of open countryside, undermining the purpose of the Green Belt in preventing urban sprawl and safeguarding the character of the area.

2. Impact on Local Infrastructure and Traffic

The proposed development will bring a significant increase in vehicle movements along Wrotham Road and adjacent roads, such as Heron Hill Lane. These roads are already under pressure during peak hours, particularly due to their proximity to the nearby school where congestion and safety risks are already prevalent. Increased traffic would exacerbate existing hazards for children and families walking to and from school.

3. Issues with Unadopted Roads

Heron Hill Lane is an unadopted road. It is not designed or maintained to cope with high traffic volumes which will naturally spread. Additional use from construction vehicles and future residents will cause further deterioration, chaos, and safety risks for both drivers and pedestrians.

4. Detrimental Impact on Local Community

The scale of the proposed development is disproportionate to the surrounding area and will place unsustainable pressure on local services, including schools, healthcare, and transport links. The rural character and amenity of the community will be permanently diminished.

For the reasons above, I strongly urge the Council to refuse this application. The

loss of Green Belt, combined with the severe traffic, infrastructure, and safety implications, makes the proposal wholly inappropriate and contrary to planning policy.

Kind regards