

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 7:44 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Brookers Farm Luddesdown Road Luddesdown Gravesend Kent DA13 0XE
Proposal:	Retention/installation of 57 wine tanks and grape presses.
Case Officer:	Mrs Alison Webster

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Cuxton Rochester

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:

I object to this proposal for the following reasons. The tanks themselves are of an industrial appearance and can hardly be described as conserving and enhancing the landscape and scenic beauty of the Kent Downs AONB. Furthermore it is said 'As a result of the refusal of proposals for a winery at Upper Bush this application has since been dismissed at Appeal and the Applicant is therefore required to permanently keep (41) tanks on site' I beg to differ. The possibility and advisability of finding another more suitable site for processing with appropriate access and infrastructure, has been raised at various times. Vineyard Farms are only set to develop more areas and this development should be stopped NOW.

Retrospective planning applications were submitted and temporary approvals given and now permanent approval is sought for these and additional development and it seems to me that this is making a mockery of the planning system. I have heard of minor extensions having to be demolished because planning permission was not obtained before building but here we have development on an industrial scale which is having a deleterious effect on the surrounding area, being allowed to stand. One is drawn to the conclusion that big business has the upper hand and the law is not applied equally. No consideration has been given to the vehicular access and the impact on the village of Cuxton, the villagers, the school attendees etc., or the deleterious effect on the local roads and lanes which has been devastating with verges destroyed and road surfaces suffering badly and pot holes appearing. This is especially dangerous where the road floods regularly after rain and the holes cannot be seen. Although many of these problems lie within the Medway area they should be considered by the Applicants and the adjacent Local Authorities. To have large numbers of massive HGVs travelling along these village and country single track roads is unacceptable.

Yours sincerely

Kind regards