

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 10:05 PM 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, Gravesham

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:

Objections to Plan for 100 houses at Blackthorn Farm:

1. Impact on environment... many protected species on this site. it was reported tonight that there are bats and lots of birds on site. [REDACTED] lives behind the site and maybe he could provide some video footage of the bats and other wildlife ?

2. Proposals go against the most recent Government National Planning Policy Framework.

Paragraph 116 unacceptable impact on highway safety, residual cumulative impacts on road networks would be severe.

198 : developments should be appropriate to location; pollution (affecting health) living conditions and the natural environment; sensitivity to wider area, light pollution

Ancient Woodland; loss or permanent damage to irreplaceable habitats.

Para 156 - Release from Greenbelt, affordable housing must be included - how will those in these homes move about with little to no bus service to the local train station or Gravesend.

3. This site has not been previously developed and therefore does not meet any criteria for "grey belt"

4. Adjoins ancient woodland which must be Protected. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] told us tonight that the Ancient Woodland is owned by the school and there was misrepresentation of the ownership in the application; run off from the steep slope with a chalk substrate will cause environmental damage to the schools Woodland, as well as causing flooding (more flooding !) on Rhododendron Avenue. I think he said some of the land actually has the highest level of environmental protection. In addition the visual impact would be catastrophic to locals.

5. Impact on Air Pollution - already compromised by the traffic volumes on the A227.

6. Safe access onto such a busy main artery of Kent Highways will be impossible.

7. The site currently acts as drainage for Culverstone Valley and the A227. Building on this will cause massive flooding in the future.

8. There is no efficient transport facility so 100 homes equals some 200+ vehicles regularly accessing a dangerous road. Probably at peak hours when the A227 is constantly grid locked.

A227 Weight load (and Meopham Train Station Weight load)
Access for emergency services.

Kind regards