

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 12/05/2025 9:11 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] Hadley Close Meopham Gravesend

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	I wish to confirm that I wholeheartedly support the requirement for the developer to undertake a Full Environmental Impact Assessment relating to the two proposed housing proposals, namely land on A227 opposite Camer Parade shops and land on Longfield road adjacent to Helen Allinson school. According to Government Policy, Green Belt land should be built on only in exceptional circumstances and that brownfield sites should be prioritised. The proposed sites are currently farmland, being used to grow food crops and if this proposed development is permitted this vital resource will be lost forever and will affect our ability to achieve food security in the future. The Wrotham Road proposed development site is part of the North Kent Downs an important chalk downland and a rare habitat for all manner of wildlife. To damage this habitat would irreversibly affect the biodiversity of the area. Both of the proposed sites are known to support a wide variety of threatened species including bats, birds, insects, amphibians and invertebrates. The effect of developing such sites would have wide reaching detrimental impact both immediately and in many years to come. Meopham is a village and does not have the local infrastructure to support approximately another 500 homes. The current infrastructure already struggles to cope with the existing demand on our schools, medical facilities and roads and to add a further burden would be unacceptable. Pollution levels would increase right outside schools with an obvious detriment effect on young people who are especially vulnerable. The additional traffic generated by these proposed homes would make the A227 and Longfield Road even more hazardous than they currently are, particularly at peak times thus increasing the dangers to the children attending the schools and all road users. Furthermore, these developments would place an additional strain on the already congested A227, which suffers even more traffic when other surrounding main roads have problems and/or closures. The proposed developments would add to an already busy and dangerous road junction of the A227 and Longfield Road, particularly at school arrival and departure times. Long
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tailbacks of traffic are usual at these peak times, posing a risk, both in terms of raising air pollution levels and accidents to pedestrians and road users. Gravesham Planning should ensure that a thorough and comprehensive Environmental Impact Assessment is carried out in relation to both sites. Relevant professional bodies and the Residents of Meopham must be included as part of this review as they will be most affected with this proposal.

Kind regards