

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 10/11/2024 9:59 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land To The South Of The Squirrels Rhododendron Avenue Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0TT
Proposal:	Application for Outline application with all/some matters reserved for the erection of 2x two storey detached dwellings. cr
Case Officer:	Mrs Alison Webster

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Rhododendron Avenue Meopham Gravesend

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	I have only today become aware of this application, which surprised me given I live not more than [REDACTED] metres away from the site. That means my comments may arrive past your deadline but I ask that you consider them in your deliberations. I object to the proposed plans on three grounds. Firstly, that it is an inappropriate development in the green belt. In particular, there do not appear to be any 'special circumstances' to support the construction of two houses on a previously unoccupied area of woodland in the Culverstone Valley Area beyond financial gain for the owner. Secondly, this is not 'low value' green belt land but an example of natural beech woodland that is essential to the maintenance of the unique character of the Culverstone Valley. Located on the edge of the North Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, its rare ancient woodland provides a habitat for wildlife ranging from tawny owls and pipistrelle bats to grass snakes and slow worms. Thirdly, Rhododendron Avenue already suffers from flash flooding which has resulted in considerable costs to residents in terms of property and infrastructure maintenance. Replacement of another natural woodland site with hard surfaced residential properties will only make the situation worse and add to the problems for existing residents. Gravesham Borough Council, with the support of Kent County Council, has worked hard to control development in the Culverstone Valley Area over the past 30 years. I hope you will continue to protect this unique area and ask that you reject this application.
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Kind regards