

# Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 25/09/2025 2:34 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] Whitepost Lane Meopham

## Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments: I am writing to formally object to the planning application 20250802. I believe this application should be refused on several material planning considerations, which I outline below.

- 1. Increased Traffic Congestion and Highway Safety:**  
The proposed development will lead to a significant increase in traffic volume on the A227, which is already a heavily congested route, particularly during peak hours. The existing road infrastructure is demonstrably unable to cope with current traffic levels, leading to frequent delays, increased pollution, and heightened accident risk. Adding further vehicle movements from a new residential development will exacerbate these issues, creating an unacceptable impact on local residents and road users. The proposed traffic generation has not been adequately assessed in the context of the existing strain on the local road network.
- 2. Construction Traffic Impact on Primary School Safety:**  
Of grave concern is the projected movement of hundreds of heavy goods vehicles (HGVs) during the construction phase. These lorries will inevitably need to traverse roads adjacent to Culverstone Green Primary School, posing a severe and unacceptable risk to the safety of children attending the school. The increased noise, dust, and the sheer volume of large vehicles in close proximity to a primary school entrance/exit during drop-off and pick-up times present a clear and present danger. The safety and well-being of our children must be paramount, and this aspect of the development's impact is entirely unacceptable.
- 3. Inappropriate Development on Green Belt Land:**  
The proposed development site is located within the designated Green Belt. National and local planning policies clearly state that there is a strong presumption against inappropriate development in the Green Belt, which by definition is harmful to its openness and purpose. The fundamental aim of Green Belt policy is to prevent urban sprawl by keeping land permanently open. This proposal constitutes inappropriate development and would result in the

irreversible loss of valuable Green Belt land, setting a dangerous precedent for future development in the area. No exceptional circumstances have been demonstrated to justify this encroachment.

4. Insufficient Local Infrastructure and Facilities:

The local area currently suffers from a significant lack of adequate infrastructure and community facilities to support the existing population, let alone a substantial increase. The addition of new dwellings without corresponding investment in local services will place an unbearable strain on schools (local primary and secondary), Healthcare, GP surgeries and dental practices are oversubscribed, Public Transport, existing public transport links are infrequent and inadequate for the current demand, and will be further stretched and Local Amenities, there is a demonstrable shortage of local shops, community spaces, and recreational facilities to serve a larger population.

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Kind regards