

Please post to: Rebecca Harrison, Planning Officer, Civic Centre, Gravesend, Kent DA12 1AU (stamp required)
(or can be left in secure drop box in Reception at Istead Rise Community Centre, Worcester Close, Istead Rise.)

Application Reference: 20260649

Case Officer: Rebecca Harrison

Location: Land North Of The Drove Way, Istead Rise, Gravesend, Kent

Proposal: Development for up to 100 residential dwellings (Class C3), including the formation of new accesses from The Drove Way.

I am: **A Member of the Public:**
(Age 18 or above) ☐

Neighbour of the site: ☒

My Title & Full Name: [REDACTED]

**My address
& postcode:**

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I wish to **object** to planning application number **20260649** for the reasons stated below:

This estate is already large enough for the few facilities sited in the area, like the dentist, the small shops, the pharmacy and the doctor's. The latter is already seeing patients from outside the area making it difficult to obtain appointments. Building a 100 more residential dwellings will put added strain on these amenities, especially places in the local primary school.

The roads in and around the estate are already very busy which ever new poses issues for ingress and egress on to either Wrotham Road or New Barn Road. This build will bring a sizeable number of vehicles into Istead Rise as the current residents are already dependent ^{and these new residents will be too} on vehicles due to an infrequent bus service and no railway station. Even if one wished to walk to Meopham Station it would be dangerous as there is no path along most of the route. Extra vehicles would also pose a greater risk to

Signed & dated:

(Deadline for objections: 2/9/26)

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26th August 2026

Comments continued overleaf

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pedestrians, comprising of children, parents with very small children in prams, older less mobile adults and wheelchair/electric scooter users. These extra vehicles are likely to park on pavements if it becomes harder to park and there could be more speeding.

This proposed development would remove the agricultural greenbelt land which it is so crucial to retain for food production and the sustainability of the wildlife.

Finally, what benefits to the Istead Rise residents and area would this bring? It seems so unnecessary and offers nothing for them.