

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 16/01/2024 6:53 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address: 9 Chalk Road Gravesend Kent DA12 4XE

Proposal: Creation of vehicular crossover and hard standing with partial removal of front boundary wall and hedge.

Case Officer: Mrs Sharon Sahota

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Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED] NORTHFLEET GRAVESEND

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer made comments neither objecting to or supporting the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: I neither support or object to this application but would like the planning officers to consider the following when assessing application 20231245.

Firstly, it has not been explained why an off road parking space is necessary at the front of the application property. The house at 9, Chalk Road is one of four identical terraced houses and there are four garages arranged in a block alongside the terrace just a few metres away. If, as I suspect, each house in the terrace has a garage why can't the garage be used for parking?

Secondly, the photographs and plans submitted with the application show a hedge along the front garden wall to the property which will be shortened if the application is approved. However, one of the photographs also shows a bush/hedge in the adjoining neighbour's garden. Even if the applicant keeps his hedge clipped so that vision is not compromised when driving off/onto the proposed driveway what assurances can the applicant provide that the neighbour will keep their front hedge/bush(es) trimmed so that the safety of pedestrians/other road users is not affected.

Thirdly, the plan seems to add biodiversity to what already exists. The current layout shows small planting 'pockets' within a mainly paved front garden. The proposal shows a significantly greater amount of planting within the design which has to be a good thing.

Finally, Chalk Road is a busy thoroughfare to and from addresses in the village of Chalk and Lower Higham as well as the route for the 190 bus service between Gravesend and Chatham. In July 2023 application 20230538 was submitted in relation to 'formation of a vehicular crossover and hardstanding' at 295 Old Road East, Gravesend. That address is situated not far from Chalk Road on the opposite side of Lion Garage Roundabout,

That application was refused and part of the decision to refuse was 'The

proposed vehicular access and front garden hardstanding would pose a significant highway hazard on highway and pedestrian safety and the free flow of traffic on this busy road and which is a district distributor route.'

Kind regards