

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 22/03/2026 10:21 AM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land North Of Camer Road Meopham Gravesend Kent
Proposal:	Outline planning application for up to 725 dwellings (Use Class C3), a new two-form entry primary school (Use Class F1), a Local Centre (up to 500sqm of Class E floorspace), the provision of Public Open Space including sport and recreation facilities alongside associated access, landscaping, parking, and infrastructure; with all matters reserved except for access.
Case Officer:	Mrs Katherine Parkin

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	Rowan Close Meopham Gravesend Kent

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:

I object to this proposal along with the other proposals for building around Meopham village. Other current local planning applications are 20250993 Longfield Road, 20250992 Wrotham Road and 20251116 West of Norwood Lane. These four developments double the footprint of the Hook Green area of Meopham, with much denser housing, and 3 of them are east of the A227 surrounding the current housing there. There is also 20250314 Blackthorn Farm further south along the A227 and 20251233 Downs Road, Istead Rise in the other direction. The cumulative effects of these developments should be considered.

The site is on greenbelt which is designed to stop urban sprawl. This proposal will merge Meopham and Sole Street which is against greenbelt policy. It is also an inappropriate encroachment into the countryside surrounding Meopham. This is true even if the land were to be re-classified as greybelt in the future - this land does not currently meet the accepted definition of greybelt.

There will be a loss of the unique charm and character of the Hook Green part of Meopham village with its surrounding open fields and countryside. The proposed density and height of buildings is not in any way in keeping with the villages. The unique character of Hook Green will be lost. There will be increased light

pollution.

Loss of grade 2 agricultural land is a concern as is the impact on our wonderful local wildlife. Green belt policy seeks to safeguard the countryside and protect natural habitat.

Local services are already struggling.. Meopham Medical Centre and Istead Rise GP practices have confirmed that they have no further space. The local hospitals are at capacity with A&E patients regularly being treated in corridors.

The six proposed developments mentioned will result in significant increase in traffic on A227 which is already extremely congested and which will get busier when the new Lower Thames crossing is completed. Side roads currently become gridlocked when there is a problem or roadworks on the A227. It will also lead to more air and noise pollution.

The exit from Green Lane onto the A227 is already a significant bottleneck and the Wrotham Road, Camer Road and Norwood Lane proposals will directly make it worse. In the other direction, Green Lane, Camer Road and Sole Street are not suitable for the extra volume of traffic that would be generated by these 3 housing estates. The other proposals will also have an impact as people from there will use Green Lane as well. When the lower Thames crossing opens, this route will be a cut through from M20, M25 and M26, increasing traffic on the A227.

The station is not fully accessible and the bus service is virtually non-existent. The A227 between Meopham and Istead Rise has no footpath for much of the way and is narrow. It is therefore unsafe for walkers and cyclists.

Drainage is currently a problem with frequent flooding locally in heavy rain, especially at the junction of Norwood Lane and the A227. Open fields capture water and reduce flooding.

Kind regards