

# 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 9:42 AM 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] Gravesend

## Comments Details

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

### Reasons for comment:

Comments:	Whilst this development does not affect me personally, I am mortified what this will do to the A.227. Not only by the construction vehicles involved but also by the residents' cars. First and foremost, the A.227 should be downgraded to a B road. HGVs should not be allowed to use this road. It is quite frightening how these lorries use these narrow lanes, in particular on the bend between Istead Rise and Meopham. Every year, without fail, we have to endure the inconvenience of pothole repairs. It must be horrendous for the residents who live in Wrotham Road with the noise, dirt and pollution.
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Also, the A.227 is prone to flooding in places. This will only add to this.

Furthermore, some of the accommodation will include affordable housing. Such occupants need to have access to good transport links for work, shopping etc. This development is miles from train stations with very limited bus service. These people need to be housed in a more central location. Even if they have their own transport, driving to a station and parking will cost them dearly.

Blackthorn Farm is greenbelt and occupied by numerous protected species of wildlife. They were there before us human beings!

I have lived in Meopham for 28 years but remember clearly visiting the area as a child. It is now unrecognisable to those days. Please do not decimate even more of our countryside. With even more planning proposals in the pipeline, Meopham will soon become a town not a village.

Our local schools and medical facilities are already overstretched. Such a development will have a huge impact on these, much to the detriment of local residents, some of whom have lived here all their lives.

Before destroying our greenbelt, brownfield sites should be utilised such as the old Gravesend Hospital and former Tollgate Hotel. I understand these sites cost more to develop but interested parties, such as property investors/developers

have deep pockets. These sites are an embarrassment and an eyesore. The priority should be to redevelop these.

I sincerely hope that Gravesham B C will look at this application sympathetically and consider the feelings and views of the local community.

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Kind regards