

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 10:50 AM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Brookers Farm Luddesdown Road Luddesdown Gravesend Kent DA13 0XE
Proposal:	Retention/installation of 57 wine tanks and grape presses.
Case Officer:	Mrs Alison Webster

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Cuxton Rochester

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	I wish to formally object to the proposed use of Bush Road by heavy goods vehicles (HGVs) as part of planning application [insert reference number]. This objection is based on serious concerns regarding road safety, infrastructure damage, and the wellbeing of the local community. 1. Road Safety and Pedestrian Risk Bush Road is a narrow minor road where lorries regularly mount the kerb, creating a significant hazard for pedestrians. This is especially alarming given the presence of both a primary and junior school along the route. The safeguarding of children walking to and from school must be a priority, and the introduction of HGV traffic directly undermines this. 2. Safety of Cyclists, Walkers, and Horse Riders The road is frequently used by vulnerable road users, including cyclists, walkers, and horse riders. The increased presence of large vehicles on a route with limited passing space and poor visibility raises the risk of serious accidents and discourages active travel. 3. Road Surface Damage Bush Road is not engineered to withstand the repeated stress of heavy goods traffic. The increased load will accelerate deterioration of the road surface, leading to potholes, cracking, and long-term structural damage that will require costly repairs. 4. Traffic Congestion The road already experiences congestion during peak hours, particularly around school times. The addition of slow-moving or turning HGVs will exacerbate delays, reduce traffic flow, and increase the risk of gridlock and emergency access issues. 5. Noise Pollution HGVs generate significant noise through engine activity, braking, and vibration. This will disrupt the quiet residential character of the area and negatively impact both residents and the learning environment of nearby schools. 6. Air Pollution Increased HGV traffic will contribute to higher levels of exhaust emissions, including nitrogen dioxide and particulate matter. This poses a health risk to children, the elderly, and those with respiratory conditions, and undermines local efforts to improve air quality.
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Conclusion

Given the serious risks to safety, infrastructure, and community wellbeing, I strongly urge the planning authority to reject the proposed use of Bush Road for HGV access. Alternative routes that are structurally suitable and pose fewer risks to residents and vulnerable road users should be considered.

Kind regards