

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 25/03/2026 10:43 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]
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Address:	[REDACTED] Lane Fairseat wrotham Sevenoaks

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:

I find my self in the position of having to strongly object to the proposed housing development on the grounds that the scale of the proposed highway infrastructure required to support the forecast traffic increase, would create more traffic pollution, noise and disturbance within a vital area of natural habitat. I commute into Medway along the A227 on a working day, and this main road cannot cope with the amount of traffic using it at present. The frequent traffic incidents on the A2 and M25, directly impact the flow of traffic through Meopham and Istead Rise. As well as the several pinch points on the A227, that handles very heavy traffic cutting through to the M20 from the A2.

The A227 would be a main route into Green Lane/Camer Road/Norwood Lane, thus increasing the back-up of traffic through the village and also on the roundabouts at the A2 end of the A227

Coming into the proposed housing development from the Sole Street end, would vastly increase the traffic through Sole Steet, that again is a very narrow lane.

Also i have observed , traffic counters have been installed in White Post Lane (at Round Street end), while it is closed to traffic? There is also a road closure in Halfpence Lane, Cobham. Hopefully. Traffic numbers collected will not be used during these road closures?

There are already several proposed housing developments already in the

pipeline, for Meopham village; the increased traffic caused would cause a massive increase in air and noise pollution in a village of both historic interest and natural beauty.

There are also issues of drainage and sewerage provision for such a large such development. The water companies seem to be struggling with providing sufficient water supply for existing customers in this area of Kent, and dealing with an increase in demand would only exacerbate existing problems.

Water pressure is very low, and hose-pipe bans are now normal in Summer.

Unless the water company can guarantee water supplies in all weather events, adequate flood water drainage, and safe sewerage processing.

There is evidence that the current sewerage network and treatment works are unable to adequately cope with exiting demand.

This proposal only gives general assurances have been given that the capacity issues will be addressed, and without a funded and time-bound solution.

Most importantly, the development site is part of a much-valued rural landscape, and wildlife habitat.

The fields for this proposed housing development provide a vital habitat for bats that use the area as a feeding ground, and the tree copse as a roost. Swifts and swallows use these fields as to provide them with early invertebrate food, having migrated to the area from Africa.

Protected skylarks also nest and breed in significant numbers in the fields here; in other areas around West Malling and Offham, skylark nesting grounds have been fenced off for protection, under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. It would be a desecration to allow such an essential breeding area to be built upon, at a time when the skylark is a protected species!

The landscape information that has been submitted with this application, accepts that here will be significant change to the character of the site and its surroundings.

Meopham and surrounding villages are still relatively rural and are now at risk of losing not only village and farmland identity, but also nationally declining wildlife habitats within the green belt land of Meopham.

Once this beautiful green area it is lost for ever and this can never be replaced. This large development should not be considered.

Kind regards