

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 24/01/2026 12:42 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land At Rose Farm Downs Road Istead Rise Gravesend Kent
Proposal:	Outline planning application for the demolition of 64 Downs Road and erection of up to 154No. residential dwellings (including affordable housing), with all matters reserved except for access. Creation of a new access from Downs Road.
Case Officer:	Adeoye Lawal

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	New Barn, Longfield

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments:

Added pressure on local hospitals & GP surgery, who say they are at maximum capacity now. I moved here a year ago and cannot get NHS dentist!

- Increased traffic & parking along Downs Road & surrounding area, making walking to school more dangerous with an additional, hazardous & busy new junction for children to cross
- Loss of essential fertile farming land, which is fundamental to food security. There is not ONE crossing on New barn Rod and my child struggles to get on a packed bus of a morning and on way home due to lack of public transport.
- More traffic congestion at junctions in & out of Istead Rise, along the A227 & on New Barn Rd
- Reduction of available spaces at local secondary schools & colleges. New barn road is dangerous as it is, let alone adding more to the area.
- Loss of valuable greenbelt land & natural habitats with long-term environmental consequences being catastrophic for our wildlife including protected species living there

Urban sprawl, overdevelopment of Istead Rise & gap closing between us & New Barn

Significant change & harm to the setting & special character of our community

Lack of infrastructure for a larger population, eg shops, parking for shops, no train station & very limited bus provision. Buses not running every day or into the evenings. Moved here a year ago for the greenery and space. I have left an overpopulated area for a reason.

- No safe walking or cycling routes to Gravesend or Meopham - car dependant community! Not one safe crossing in new barn.

- More pollution & noise especially around the school area & loss of privacy for existing

Kind regards