

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 01/12/2025 11:36 AM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Land West Of Norwood Lane Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0YE
Proposal:	Outline application with all matters reserved (except access) for a development of up to 150 dwellings (Use Class C3), including affordable dwellings, and associated landscaping, public open space and infrastructure works.
Case Officer:	Mrs Alison Webster

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Sole Street Cobham

Comments Details

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

Reasons for comment:

Comments: I strongly object to this application on the basis that this is an inappropriate site for housing development.

We cannot be ignorant to the need for more housing and I fully appreciate that more houses must be built. However I am horrified at the scope of green belt land that is being proposed for this building.

Our green belt farmland is not only absolutely essential for agricultural development to feed our increasing population, but it is this land which creates the distinction between town and rural areas. Sole Street, Meopham and surrounding areas are adored for their rural identification - though already fairly built up, a good balance of green space remains, leading to their village charm. Building more and more houses on every bit of available green space decimates this identity - this is no longer the Garden of England, but the "Patio" of England.

Furthermore, neither village can cope with such an injection of increased traffic. I live in Sole Street and walk my dog at 6am each morning, before work. Already at this time, I am having to wait up to a minute before I can cross the Sole Street road, due to the commuting traffic. Sole Street notoriously has an exceptionally larger traffic rate than a typical road of this type is expected to take in the UK. I simply don't understand how it is deemed acceptable to add to this tenfold, rather than address the existing issues!

The local infrastructure cannot cope with more families. We only have one GP - it is already stretched to its limit. One cannot park at the local parade of shops at practically any time of day now.

This development will also contribute to light pollution and destroy areas of green land for wildlife.

We cannot keep concreting over our green and pleasant land. Houses need building - yes. But let's prioritise grey belt areas and outskirts of existing towns which have the roads and infrastructure to cope.

Kind regards