

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 15/12/2025 8:07 PM 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] Kent GRAVESEND

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I wish to objecting to the proposed planning application for Change Of Use of Agricultural Greenbelt Land to proposed construction of 150 dwellings. The proposed site is a large Greenbelt agricultural farm land to a high-grade standard which is still currently farmed and contributes to our food source and production. As a nation we cannot afford to lose this precious asset, it is imperative we protect it. We must continue to be self-sufficient in growing our own food produce for generations to come and not become heavily reliant on imports. There are growing concerns regarding the protection of ancient woodland, surrounding hedgerows and trees along with wildlife as these will be affected by the disruption and the possibility of destruction in the process, which is totally unacceptable. The additional dwellings will potentially increase the traffic generation to approximately 300 additional vehicles from this one site which raises concerns about the major high-level impact on the road infrastructure and safety issues in the area. Access would be via Green Lane which is a narrow rural country lane and will become congested and dangerous especially leading up to the junction with Wrotham road A227, construction work and plant machinery will also cause major daily disruption in the area.

There has also been an increased number of vehicles including commercial vehicles using Green Lane on a daily basis as a cut-through to and from the A2.

The current planning scheme does not include any supporting evidence to suggest that Sole Street and Meopham railway bridges are adequate to support an increase in volume of traffic.

The Lower Thames Crossing and planned future housing schemes for Borough Green will sufficiently contribute to an increase in traffic congestion, unnecessary pollution and create gridlock, vehicles including HGV's will use the A227 as a cut-through passing through Meopham as well as using Green Lane, Sole Street and Cobham as a cut- through to and from the A2. This also raises concerns about the major high-level impact on the road infrastructure and safety issues in the surrounding rural country lane roads as they are inadequate to support additional high volumes of traffic.

Local primary and secondary schools in the area along the Wrotham Road A227 are already experiencing access issues and congestion during school term times, additional traffic will add to safety concerns of both parents and pupils. They are also at full capacity and will not cope with an influx of additional pupils.

Wrotham Road has narrow pinch points at The George Inn near Meopham Secondary School and at the local shops near Meopham railway station which again raises safety concerns.

Meopham medical centre has become overstretched and now at full capacity, current residents are unable to secure an appointment and told to use either Gravesend or Darent Hospitals instead which is totally unacceptable, the medical centre will not cope with the influx of additional residents moving into the area, NHS services are also overstretched at both Hospitals.

The parade of shops in Meopham near Longfield Road is very busy and very congested, this is potentially an accident black spot with vehicles queueing to enter the parade from the Wrotham road.

Both Sole Street and Meopham rail stations are already very busy with commuters having to stand for the duration of their journey at peak times.

It is unacceptable and unnecessary to consider Greenbelt land for development, it is imperative we protect it at all costs. There is a considerable number of grey and brownfield sites along with available inhabitable buildings available before considering Greenbelt land.

Kind regards