

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 09/05/2025 12:20 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	The Peacock Public House 78 Peacock Street Gravesend Kent DA12 1EG
Proposal:	Change of use from Public House (sui generis) to Place of Worship or Religious Instruction (Class F1) at ground floor.
Case Officer:	Mrs Lisa Fisher

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED] Field Lane Gravesend

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	As a local resident of Gravesend, I am writing to express my full and sincere support for the proposed development of a mosque within our community. This project is a positive and much-needed initiative that reflects the values of inclusivity, equality, and community cohesion that are central to the identity of Gravesend and firmly embedded within the policies and vision of Gravesham Borough Council. Gravesend is a proudly diverse town, home to people of many different cultural, ethnic, and religious backgrounds. The Muslim community has long been an integral part of our local society-contributing to the social, cultural, and economic fabric of our borough. However, despite its growing presence, there is currently a lack of sufficient, purpose-built facilities that allow local Muslims to worship and come together in a safe, accessible, and inclusive environment. The proposed mosque would address this need, offering a dedicated space for prayer, community events, religious education, and outreach services that are central to Islamic faith and community life. This development is not simply about providing a place of worship-it is about enabling local residents to practice their faith with dignity, while also creating a hub for cultural exchange, interfaith dialogue, and community service. Mosques, by their nature, promote values of charity, unity, and social responsibility, and their presence has been shown in many towns and cities across the UK to foster greater understanding and mutual respect between communities. Importantly, the proposal aligns with Gravesham Borough Council's Corporate Plan and wider planning policy, particularly its commitments to creating strong, safe, and sustainable communities. The Council has pledged to support inclusivity and ensure that all residents, regardless of faith or background, have access to facilities and services that meet their needs. By approving this application, the Council would be acting in line with these principles, ensuring that our borough remains a place where everyone feels represented, respected, and valued.
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I am also encouraged by the fact that the proposed mosque will be developed with consideration for the surrounding area, including proper planning for traffic, parking, and access. From what has been shared so far, the project demonstrates a thoughtful approach to integration within the local environment and an awareness of community dynamics. The applicants have made clear their intention to be good neighbours and partners within the wider Gravesend community, which I believe should be welcomed and supported.

As a person of faith myself, I believe that freedom of religion and belief is a cornerstone of a healthy, democratic society. This proposed mosque would stand as a testament to those values and provide an essential place for spiritual connection, personal development, and community resilience. It is a place that will be open not only to Muslims but to anyone interested in learning, sharing, and participating in community life.

We must also recognize the broader benefits of such a development. Mosques often serve as centres for youth engagement, educational programming, charitable initiatives, and interfaith cooperation. These are all valuable contributions to a thriving, safe, and harmonious local community-benefits that extend far beyond the Muslim population.

In conclusion, I fully support the construction of a mosque in Gravesend. I believe it will enrich our local community, promote understanding between faiths, and uphold the values that Gravesham Borough Council has committed itself to: inclusivity, equality, and strong community spirit. I urge the Council and all relevant stakeholders to approve this application and take a meaningful step toward making Gravesend an even more welcoming and supportive place for all its residents.

Thank you for considering my comment.

Kind regards