

Brooklands Farm objection failed submission

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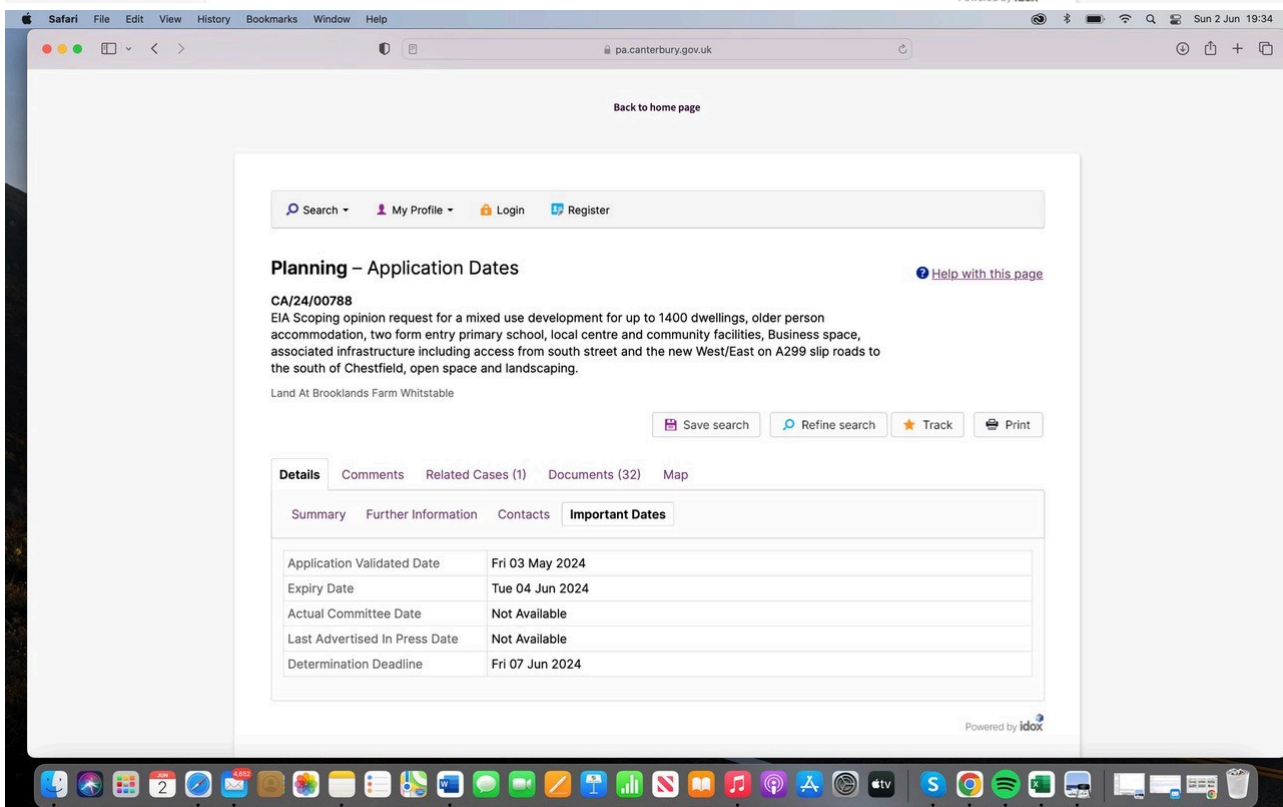
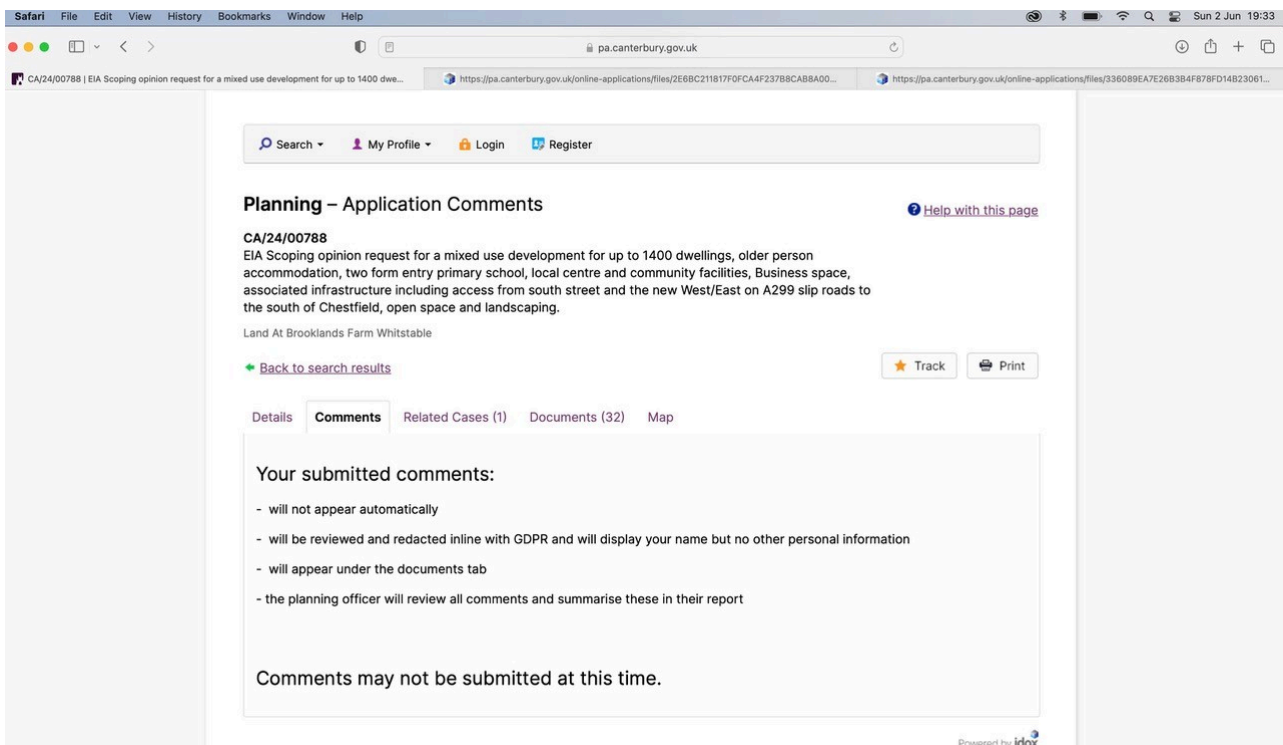
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Attention Andrew Gambrill

I attach below my objection to the Brooklands Farm proposal which I tried to submit on Sunday 2nd June evening before the deadline but your website was not working. I attach 2 times screenshots that show that it was not possible to submit my concerns before the deadline. The date and time is at the top right of each screenshot. Please confirm that they will be given the same consideration as all other objections that were able to be completed online in time.



I object to Policy W4 Brooklands Farm.

My concerns are broadly:

1. inadequate road system in this area to cope with increased vehicle load from 1400 houses, most of which will have at least 2 cars. Public transport is minimal within this area. I have seen that there is a new slip road that allows vehicles to exit the new Thanet Way but cannot identify if it is possible to not to join in the other direction? It is not appropriate to funnel this increased traffic load on to the already over used Old Thanet Way or inevitably South Street, with vehicles forced to add to already extensive queues at Whitstable or Herne Bay.

2. Insufficient water infrastructure to support this huge increase in population in an area where resources are inadequate for the current population. It is widely recognised that the sewage system here is totally under resourced for the current resident population in Whitstable. Sewage outflows to the sea are at their highest rate for years and to increase the domestic sewage load will make the threshold for storm overflow even more readily reached so discharges will be higher.

3. Flood risk already an issue in this area. This of course hugely exacerbated by the huge area of man made hard surfaces replacing current farmland and accelerating drainage in to already vulnerable water source. The extensive built environment will significantly add to the problem of the inadequate combined sewage outlets that are delivering sewage at increasing frequency and rate to Whitstable's foreshore. No further homes should be built until this issue is resolved for the existing population.

4. This is a Greenfield site. I cannot believe that there are no alternative brownfield sites which cannot be used before approving construction on prime farmland.

Yours sincerely

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