

Given the manifest obstacles, the proposal seems only to have reached this point through political pressure rather than planning reason, and through the failure of those in control to negotiate with the owners of the Kassam Stadium. It's a mess, but the proposal for the stadium on the Triangle is messier.

If planning permission is granted, CDC and elected politicians will enjoy a brief sugar-rush of approval for appeasing OUFC, but this will soon fade when there is no going back, and the foreseen consequences begin to emerge. This is not a response fearful of the future, but a clear-eyed accounting of the negative consequences of the stadium's presence, unclouded by emotion.

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