Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

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Location

Land To The East Of Stratfield Brake And West Of Oxford Parkway Railway Station Oxford Road Kidlington

Proposal

Erection of a stadium (Use Class F2) with flexible commercial and community facilities and uses including for conferences, exhibitions, education, and other events, club shop, public restaurant, bar, health and wellbeing facility/clinic, and gym (Use Class E/Sui Generis), hotel (Use Class C1), external concourse/fan-zone, car and cycle parking, access and highway works, utilities, public realm, landscaping and all associated and ancillary works and structures

Case Officer

Laura Bell

Organisation

Name

Address

Type of Comment

Type

Comments

Support

neighbour

As a long term resident of Oxfordshire I fully support this application as it offers a once in a lifetime opportunity to provide a state-of-the-art low-carbon sustainable community facility that Oxfordshire can be proud of (unlike the Kassam stadium).

Its location next to a train station, park and ride facilities and regular bus routes will enable a significant increase in sustainable travel for users of the stadium.

It will provide not just a football stadium but a wide range of community facilities, along with employment and economic benefits to the local economy.

I understand that there will be a need for traffic management plan for the Oxford road when football matches are played but based on 30 matches a year and restrictions for circa 2 hours this means that the road will be fully open approximately 99% of the year and even during the times of any restrictions there is a suitable alternative route which would add only 1-2 minutes of extra journey time; this is very significantly less than the impact on traffic that the current and planned traffic restrictions in Oxford (local politicians have been happy to support closure of the main route from the west of Oxford for 18 months which has a a significantly greater impact on the local population and businesses than traffic restrictions of the Oxford road would ever have).

If this planning application is refused then the only fully professional football team in Oxfordshire will not be sustainable and the impact on the thousands who Oxfordshire residents who derive pleasure and a sense of the community will be lost

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