## Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

**Application Number** 24/00539/F

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

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**Comments** 

Support

neighbour

I strongly support this application for a new stadium for Oxford United football club. This is a crucial step to ensure that Oxford United Football Club survives and thrives, bringing wider benefits to the Oxfordshire community. The new stadium will allow the club to modernise and attract supporters from a large catchment area due to it's better transport links and more accessible location. It will also mean that away supporters will be more likely to attend matches, bringing benefits to the local economy. The plan is sustainable and 'green'. It will turn an underused area of land into a vibrant multipurpose space, providing jobs and community benefits.

Opposition to the plan claim the traffic will be unmanageable and the behaviour of fans will be of detriment to the local community. However, this is by no means the first football stadium situated in such a location, and other towns easily manage the extra matchday traffic. What's more, this location will actually mean that fans are less likely to be disruptive in local areas as they will be contained in a purpose built space rather than dispersed throughout different parts of the city. Policing will be more manageable as home and away supporters can be directed to purpose built areas rather than in the city centre.

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