

Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

Application Number	<input type="text" value="24/00539/F"/>
Location	<input type="text" value="Land To The East Of Stratfield Brake And West Of Oxford Parkway Railway Station Oxford Road Kidlington"/>
Proposal	<input type="text" value="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	<input type="text" value="Laura Bell"/>

Organisation Name

Address

Type of Comment

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Comments

Stadium objections
I object to this proposal on multiple levels, the most pressing being:

- The site is already far too small for this purpose. There is no room fan/visitor parking which means that fans will try to park in the local community and walk to the stadium. This causes obstruction and inconvenience to local residents and anyone who needs to access or pass through Kidlington and surrounding areas. The inevitable knock on effect either immediate or retrospective will be parking restriction/charges in the local community. This isn't something new, it always happens when stadiums are built around local communities.
- A proposal is to close a section of the bus lane between Kidlington and Oxford Parkway Station. The buses would be massively impacted, traffic congestion will be worse and as a disabled cyclist who relies on the safety of the bus lane/cycle paths I would not be able to use the roads when the stadium is in active use.
- If bus schedules are affected people will start to avoid bus use. The eventual impact of that will be that bus companies will stop running the buses in this area. This goes against all green agendas and for those of us who do not have our own car and rely on public transport would be devastating.
- Looking at the plan, this space available is insufficient for a massive football stadium and necessary additional facilities for its use. It has already outgrown the space before they have even started.
- There is a proposal to close the roads around the stadium when matches are in progress. What are local supposed to do and how will we get around? There are proposed plans to close access through the centre of the village west, through to Yanton, if the southern access road is also closed how will anyone get in or out of the village, unless they only intend to go north - which is relatively few.
- There is a thriving biodiverse wildlife habitat at Startfield Break and surrounding areas. The potential impact of this development would devastate this environment and people's enjoyment.
- There has been no mention of the Green Belt destruction for this proposed development and the areas of supposed biodiversity are frankly insulting. This development is in conflict with the Local Plan and planning policy in this respect.

Received Date

Attachments