

Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

Application Number

Location

Proposal

Case Officer

Organisation Name

Address

Type of Comment

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Comments

As a resident who lives just 5 minutes away from the proposed site. I object to this proposal. I believe that the traffic up Banbury Road will be completely unmanageable and will cause congestion and blockages all the way down Banbury past Summertown. As a resident, I am aware of how much traffic is backed up on those roads just when the buses stop to let off passengers off and on. I am also concerned about parking in my area, as the permit scheme does NOT apply on the weekends, thus increasing the risk of game attendees likely parking all down Five Mile Drive and Sunderland Ave and walking up to the arena from our streets. I have not seen any proposals to amend the local parking permit restrictions to prevent residents from being inundated by cars.

I also am wary that the proposal does not appear to fully commit to complete the construction of a pedestrian crossing from Oxford Parkway to before the proposed arena is open for use, which also increases the amount of traffic blocking there will be when pedestrians will try to cross and dodge between the already likely to be slow/standstill traffic.

Finally, the land space itself hardly seems big enough for an arena and a hotel - much less the amount of foot traffic such spaces will entail. And it will be even worse since the arena is justifying itself as being available to the community for other activities. These roads are already overcrowded when anything happens on the A34, the Oxford Road/Banbury Road through Kidlington takes the immediate brunt of it.

In short, I live here and that is not a good use of that small space with very narrow, already congested roads. I understand Oxford United wants to control its access to revenue and ticketsales which Kassam does not currently permit, but imposing a stadium on our area is not the right way to do it.

Received Date

Attachments