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

Type

Comments

Objection

neighbour

I am writing to express my objections to the current traffic management proposals outlined by Oxford United Football Club (OUFC). While I understand the importance of facilitating transportation for fans and attendees, I believe that the current plans fall short in addressing key concerns regarding traffic congestion and sustainable travel options.

Firstly, it is crucial to recognize that OUFC has limited control over the travel patterns of supporters. This raises concerns about potential traffic bottlenecks and increased congestion on match days, impacting local residents and commuters alike. Without effective measures in place to manage fan travel, the proposed traffic management strategies will be insufficient in mitigating these issues.

Additionally, the provision of cycle parking facilities is inadequate in the current proposal. According to local transport policy guidelines, OUFC should aim to provide one cycle parking space per 50 seats. However, the proposed allocation of 150 spaces falls significantly short of this requirement. Also, I have concerns about the safety of non-football cyclists and pedestrians on match days. The influx of large numbers of fans can significantly impact the accessibility and safety of pedestrian paths and cycleways, posing risks to those navigating these routes for everyday purposes.

During match days, the presence of crowds can lead to overcrowding and congestion along pedestrian paths and cycleways, creating hazards for cyclists and pedestrians alike. I have concerns about people's safety, both spectators and members of the public not interested in football as the proposed stadium is surrounded by busy roads. Additionally, the behavior of some fans, including alcohol consumption and rowdy behavior, can further exacerbate safety risks for other road users.

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