

# Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

**Application Number**

**Location**

**Proposal**

**Case Officer**

**Organisation Name**

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**Comments**

I have had the pleasure of supporting Oxford United ever since my dad took me to a game when I was a child. I have now been fortunate enough to take my own children to some games.

Supporting a club like Oxford isn't for the guaranteed success on the field that you might get from supporting a bigger Premier League team, but it is for the ups and downs and the unknown that keeps life interesting. Oxford fans are like a family, and it brings people from all different walks of life together with a shared understanding.

I have been witness to what has been going on behind the scenes in recent history, regarding the issues around the Kassam stadium as well as many others, and I fear that we are heading for a crossroads. Without the guarantee of a stadium to play at going forward, I fear for the survival of the club.

I have also seen some of the objections of the new stadium plan, and I am sympathetic with some of the points made. If this project is taken forward, which I am supportive of, it shouldn't be done at any cost. Careful consideration should be taken to ensure that this is an environmentally sound stadium, and a central hub for the local community. I am optimistic that with the plans I have seen so far that the club have these best interests on board.

As I live in Bicester, I would plan to commute to games via train. I already use the train service to travel to my work in central Oxford, and it is an outstanding service that we as a county should be proud of.

Thank you for considering my comments, and I am hopeful to see Oxford United play in a new stadium in the not too distant future.

**Received Date**

**Attachments**