

# Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

**Application Number**

**Location**

**Proposal**

**Case Officer**

**Organisation Name**

**Address**

**Type of Comment**

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**Comments**

I write this comment as a supportive comment having read all of the available literature from the planning portal and other third party material provided by other groups including an ecology report by FOSB.

I have travelled to over 50 stadia for many events including football, music and other sport events so have experience of good and bad design. I am also a keen cyclist and supporter of active travel as well as coach of a local youth football club. I have children who are going to be impacted by the development of the stadium in Kidlington far longer than I.

I am delighted to see the designs of the stadium are so in keeping with the local area. This is an opportunity to have a stadium to be proud off for the city of Oxford as well as OUFC and I am delighted with the sympathetic design. The area is a closed off area of land that has been tipped on following it being used by scramble bikes. It is great to see the area put into use. The nod towards the old Manor Ground with the modern arch and the use of Willow to reflect the business already there is also good to see.

I am delighted that the stadium is not taking up loads of space with parking spaces. As a keen cyclists I look forward to bringing myself and my children to the ground by bicycle rather than having to drive to the current stadium. The close proximity of the park and ride, Oxford Parkway and bus routes is also a big benefit and one that I know travelling support will utilise. The significance of this can not be understated.

This stadium will be taking many thousand journeys by car.. off the road and onto public transport or active travel.

I am pleased with the increase in public use and access of the land.

The provision of space for cycling and cycle storage is encouraging and I will feel much safer cycling around the area than currently.

I have read and agree with the planned design of the stadium to create a bowl and roof in order to keep the noise within the stadium. This will benefit the atmosphere inside the ground and limit the impact of sound pollution on the neighbourhood. The general feel of the application is one of sympathy to and enhancement of the local environment.

I can not think of a better location for a stadium for any club and provision of facilities for the local community.

Please support this application.

**Received Date**

**Attachments**