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

neighbour

Organisation

Name

Address

Type of Comment

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Comments

Support

Dear Cherwell District Council Representatives,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed construction of the new stadium for Oxford United Football Club (OUFC) within the Cherwell District. Although I am not a resident of the Cherwell District, I have lived in Oxfordshire all of my life and support any scheme that delivers both tangible and intangible benefits to the county. I believe that this development would bring numerous economic and social benefits to not just the local area, but to Oxfordshire as a whole.

The construction of a modern, eco-friendly stadium for OUFC would serve as a focal point for sports and entertainment in our region. It would provide a venue not only for football but also for various community events and other cultural activities.

Moreover, the new stadium has the potential to stimulate economic growth in the area. The construction phase alone would create job opportunities and generate revenue for local businesses involved in supplying materials and services. Once operational, the stadium would attract visitors, boosting tourism and increasing footfall for nearby shops, restaurants, and hotels. Additionally, the presence of such a facility could attract investment from businesses seeking to capitalise on the increased visibility and foot traffic in the vicinity.

OUFC holds a unique position as the county's sole professional football team. As such, the construction of a new stadium would not only provide a long-term home for the club but also serve as a source of pride and identity for the entire county of Oxfordshire. The stadium would become a symbol of the region's sporting heritage and a focal point for residents to come together and support their local team. This sense of unity and community spirit fostered by the presence of OUFC is invaluable and further underscores the significance of this development for the Cherwell District and beyond.

A new stadium and sports facilities in the Cherwell District would provide valuable opportunities for local residents, particularly young people, to participate in sports programs, coaching clinics, and other initiatives aimed at promoting health, well-being, and social inclusion. This investment in community sports infrastructure would help to nurture talent, foster a sense of pride and belonging, and strengthen the social fabric of generations to come within the county.

I strongly believe that the proposed stadium for OUFC represents a tremendous opportunity for our community. Not only would it provide a state-of-the-art venue for sports and entertainment, but it would also generate economic growth, create jobs, and enrich the lives of residents through enhanced recreational and cultural offerings. I urge the Cherwell District Council to give serious consideration to this proposal and to support its realisation for the benefit of our entire community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Attachments