## 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

Strongly object. 2073 out of the 3006 residents that voted, voted against the plans for the stadium. These residents physically turned up and voted to express their feelings and it doesn't appear that they are being taken into consideration when it will impact their daily lives the most. Oxford United have used email campaigns to get supporters to express their support for their application, many providing support without justification to sway statistics.

The idea that 90% of fans will travel to the stadium using public transport is insane. The government have introduced the 2 bus fare cap as incentive to get people to use public transport and assist with the costs so the idea that Oxford United can get figures as high as 90% when the lack of use of public transport is a much wider issue is delusional. Instead fans will travel by car and park in the surrounding residential area. The residents of which will bare the burden of, with increased traffic, parking restrictions and permits which will come at a financial cost to families already struggling.

The surrounding infrastructure is not equipped to deal with the increase in traffic the stadium will bring. The stretch of the A34 from M40 to Hinksey is notoriously one of the worst stretches of road in the county, if not further, with major traffic issues and a high accident rate. Putting a stadium just off this stretch of road will only exacerbate these issues.

The stadium will increase pollution in the area, including traffic pollution, noise pollution & light pollution. The build of the stadium will take place on green land, almost abolishing the green belt and irreversibly damaging natural habitats. One of the major positives of building the Kassam where it is was that it used brown land. Based on these plans that no longer seems important.

The stadium will also bring an increase of antisocial behaviour to the area. Generally making the village of kidlington a slightly less safe place to reside in.

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