

Comment for planning application 23/02276/SCOP

Application Number	23/02276/SCOP
Location	Stratfield Brake Motorcycle Track Oxford Road Kidlington
Proposal	Scoping opinion - new stadium development
Case Officer	Laura Bell
Organisation Name	Mark Sargeant
Address	Flat 23, Knights House, Harold White Close, Headington
Type of Comment	Support
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>requirements for the proposed stadium on the triangle are rightly quite stringent. OUFC will meet all of them, resulting in a world class stadium for the people of Kidlington, Cherwell, Oxfordshire and beyond to be proud of. In partnership with the Woodland trust, OUFC will replace the diseased Oak and Elm trees at the Kidlington end of the triangle.</p> <p>As is mandatory, biodiversity of the site will increase by(at least) 10%, the stadium itself will be eco friendly, and encompass green principles. Its location next to a major Public transport hub (Oxford Parkway) for trains and buses plus bus links across Oxfordshire to Park and rides , including the new one at Eynsham due to open before 2026. Will see a significant reduction in car use by supporters going to home games in comparison to Grenoble rd, which is poorly served by public transport. Whereas the triangle will make it easier for football supporters to visit using public transport.</p> <p>Residents will rightly have some genuine concerns regarding parking. Easily addressed if the scheme in place in parts of Blackbird Leys and Greater leys on matchdays/evenings currently was implemented. Free residents (and their visitors) permits. With wardens issuing tickets to those without permits.</p> <p>The stadium will bring employment, very much needed leisure facilities which are lacking in Kidlington, as well as many other community benefits to the area. Oxford United Women will be at last able to play their home games at the same venue as the men's first team. In the future England women, the Lionesses may select the stadium for an occasional game, the possibilities are endless. Having a stadium of their own Oxford United's extensive community work across the county will move up several levels. Oxford United want to be good neighbours and an integral part of the local community.</p> <p>OUFC have agreed to fund facilities at the nearby Stratfield Brake sports ground, used by Kidlington Youth football, Gosford Allblacks rugby club, Kidlington cricket club, and Kidlington running club . Thus freeing up funds for the District council and Parishes funds to utilise elsewhere.</p> <p>I believe Oxford United will not only meet the requirements asked of them regarding the stadium, they will exceed them. On behalf of myself and four generations of my family, some of whom live in the Cherwell District area, others are residents of the County. They range from my Uncles, myself and my sister, our between us, eight children plus their partners, and mine and my sisters grandchildren, some are season ticket holders, all are Oxford united supporters. We support the stadium being built on the triangle, which will provide a legacy for future generations of Cherwell \District and Oxfordshire county residents. Thankyou</p>
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