Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

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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

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Organisation

Name

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Address

Bampton, Oxfordshire

Type of Comment

Support

Type

neighbour

Comments

Oxford United's application to build a new, state-of-the-art stadium on 'The Triangle' land near Kidlington is a momentous and transformative opportunity to take a step forward for both the club and the cherished community it serves.

This opportunity is not just about securing the club's future but also safeguarding its very existence. Without this crucial move to a new home, the club faces the stark reality of folding, leaving a profound void in the community it has long served and defined. As an integral part of the fabric of Oxfordshire, Oxford United holds a special place in the hearts of residents, evoking memories of shared triumphs and cherished moments. For many families, mine included, attending matches has been a tradition passed down through generations, weaving a tapestry of shared experiences and enduring loyalties. This strategic move not only signifies Oxford United's commitment to advancing its footballing ambitions but also represents a significant investment in the local area. By selecting 'The Triangle' site, the club demonstrates a conscientious approach considering factors such as accessibility, infrastructure, and environmental impact.

This new stadium represents not just a physical structure but a symbol of continuity, resilience, and hope for the future. It embodies the spirit of community pride and unity, serving as a beacon for residents old and new. It promises to bring numerous benefits to Kidlington and its surroundings, including job creation, and enhanced leisure opportunities, while providing a sustainable stadium that reflects a forward-thinking approach to sports infrastructure, setting a benchmark for excellence in the region.

Supporting Oxford United's application is not merely an endorsement of a football club; it's an affirmation of our collective identity, values, and aspirations. It's about honouring the past, embracing the present, and building a legacy that future generations can proudly inherit and cherish.

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