

Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

Application Number	<input type="text" value="24/00539/F"/>
Location	<input type="text" value="Land To The East Of Stratfield Brake And West Of Oxford Parkway Railway Station Oxford Road Kidlington"/>
Proposal	<input type="text" value="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	<input type="text" value="Laura Bell"/>
Organisation Name	<input type="text" value="Graham Barr"/>
Address	<input type="text" value="Newbold on Avon,Rugby,CV21 1HW"/>
Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Support"/>
Type	<input type="text" value="neighbour"/>
Comments	<input type="text" value="I wholeheartedly support this planning application and desperately want to see this stadium built. I have supported OUFC for some 40 years and have seen the highs of beating Man Utd and winning at a Wembley final, through to the lows of falling out of the football league. A new home MUST be found if the county's only professional club is to survive. Mr Kassam has asset-stripped the club of ownership of the current ground and is now evicting the club so he can 'cash in' and turn the Grenoble Rd site into (much-needed) housing. This Triangle site is the ONLY site available in the county; (no other suitable site has ever been suggested by those against this plan). However, whilst the triangle site appears THE only option, it is also true to say it is a perfect location. Never has a stadium location benefited from such close and strong transport links. Rail, bus, cycle and trunk roads all serve the Triangle site brilliantly. I have no doubt those supporters like me, who now live outside of the county, plus away supporters, will be able to enjoy travelling to the stadium by train, especially with the reopening of the Varsity Line and the connection to the West Coast Mainline at Bletchley. Fans have already made a commitment to use public transport rather than drive as they are currently forced to. I have no doubt that this will come to fruition, as it's what we already do for away games! This stadium planning application goes so much further. A stadium owned by the club will provide much-needed additional revenues to help support the club; it will allow the women's team to play at 'home' for the first time. Plus, the club's commitment to maintaining Stratfield Brake pitches will free up local council resources, and there will be a significant improvement in the playability of these pitches, which will benefit the local teams. This really is 'do or die' for Oxford United. However, it's also a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to create a world-class sporting venue in the county and one that the WHOLE community can benefit from and be incredibly proud of."/>
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