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

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Organisation

Name

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Type of Comment

Support

Type

neighbour

Comments

Approving planning permission for a new stadium for Oxford United on the Triangle, just outside Kidlington would have many benefits for the people of Kidlington, Oxford, Oxfordshire and further afield.

Situated right next to Oxford Parkway station, a railway and bus /coach hub, which is also a park and ride, also with shuttlebus links to park and rides across the county, football supporters will be able to use public transport to go to matches, unlike the current stadium on Grenoble Road, which is poorly served by public transport. As the aim of local, district and county councils in Oxfordshire is to reduce the use of private vehicles on the roads locally, a stadium alongside a transport hub is in keeping with that aim.

The stadium will be the greenest in the country, if not Europe, utilising all available ecologically sound ethics and aspects in its build. The design is state of the art, encompassing light and noise reduction to minimise both.

Currently only Oxford United's first team play at the stadium on Grenoble Road, as it is owned by a private landlord. Owning their own stadium would mean Oxford United's ladies teams, and Academy teams could play their home games there as well. With the popularity of women's football growing, again this would be beneficial. Additionally it could host finals of many local senior, youth and female football associations competition finals.

It will provide jobs and needed facilities to the area, plus with Oxford United pledging to fund the upkeep of Stratfield Brake sports ground, which is currently in a sorry state of repair and condition. This would provide benefit to members of the sports clubs and teams based at Stratfied Brake sports ground, as well as free up Parish and District council funds to be spent elsewhere. Thus benefiting council tax payers, both in the near and more distant future.

It would be an asset to Kidlington, Oxford and Oxfordshire for now and the future, in many ways. I urge you to do the right thing and support the Planning application.

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Attachments