

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="Wesley Thompson"/>
Address	<input type="text" value="60St Martins Road,Talke O' th' Hill,ST7 1 QP"/>
Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Support"/>
Type	<input type="text" value="neighbour"/>
Comments	<p>I have supported this club since 5/1/74 when my grandad took me to see Manchester City win 5-2 and arguably I chose the wrong team to follow for the ensuing 50 years. Many members of my family, both male and female have been regulars and now my son comes with me on the 250 mile round trip to home games. I can count at least 22 members of my extended family who have attended since I first did and it is a bind that ties us together, through good times and bad, births and deaths, promotions and relegations.</p> <p>Regardless of the sentiment of the above it is clear that this is a chance for Oxfordshire to move forward significantly in the event the stadium is built. The current facilities are poor, difficult to get to and not worthy of a club in the top echelons of the football leagues, nor if such a wealthy County. The children of Oxfordshire should be the ones considered most in the decision and not those, like me middle aged or elderly that cannot gain as much as them.</p> <p>The siting close to Oxford Parkway and the park and ride facilities is ideal. The expanding rail network through to Cambridge will increase access country wide.</p> <p>The green credentials will prove to be an upgrade on the current under invested piece of land. The payments due in tax to Oxfordshire will vastly outweigh the amount paid for use of the site now and benefit the taxpayer. This together with the amount of money from fans, both home and away, invested in the local community is a once in a lifetime opportunity that should not be passed up. The opportunity presented for Ladies football, youth teams and investment in the community, and OUFCS charitable connections speaks for itself</p> <p>I can see little point in not proceeding with this proposal. Do the right thing for Oxfordshire!</p>
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