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

Case Officer

Laura Bell

Organisation

Name

Sam Ganatra

Address

63 Medina Gardens, Bicester, OX26 2TR

Type of Comment

Support

Type

neighbour

Comments

As a season ticket holder, and have been for many years now, I'm obviously in favour of the new stadium. The club has been needing a proper home since OUFC left the manor ground. From a sporting point of view, it's huge we have an EFL club in the county. From a fan perspective, the game is more than just showing up on a Saturday. It's the best day of the week. It's seeing your mates. It's having that pre match pint. It's backing our club on and off the field. It's having discussions about the previous game and the game you might be at next. It's the memories that stay with you forever. Football is more than a game. For me, it's my escape from reality. Ask any fan, they'll say the same. Jeopardising losing the club is a risk not worth taking. 131 years of history wiped. Where as with a new stadium, we can build 131 years more. Even if OUFC remain an EFL club, especially as a championship club, the whole county benefits. Businesses booming every other weekend. Hundreds of jobs created. The councils aim for net zero in the city. Everyone is a winner. So as a fan who goes to watch week in week out, please read my comments. Hopefully I have put in a positive input. I say all this purely from my point of view, as a fan of the club. But also from someone who's lived in Oxfordshire all my life. The county is my forever home, please give my club a forever home

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