

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="Liam Walker"/>
Address	<input type="text" value="22 Morton Avenue, Kidlington, OX5 1BS"/>
Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Support"/>
Type	<input type="text" value="neighbour"/>
Comments	<input type="text" value="I would strongly support the proposed stadium coming to Kidlington. As a lifelong Kidlington resident over over 40 years, I am acutely aware of the lack of opportunities for children and young people in the village. Indeed, the opportunities were poor when I was a child but as a parent myself, I feel that Kidlington has been left behind when I look at other villages and towns within Cherwell such as the massive investments and infrastructure projects in Bicester and Banbury. The stadium would be a massive shot in the arm for our community and will help boost business, commerce, social opportunities and mobility as well as securing much needed investment into new facilities and infrastructure. I feel that any potential issues, such as they are, could be easily mitigated and pale in comparison when viewed against the potential benefits to the village. I am also enthused by the responsible approach to sustainable planning undertaken by Oxford United as well as the guarantees that have been made to our community (some of which are already being delivered upon). I feel that the planning decision is an existential one for our village and our community. We owe this to our children and their children and I have been disheartened that a local councillor feels that the facilities we currently have in the village are something to be proud of, despite near on a decade of apathy and poor management on their part that had lead to the facilities at Stratfield Brake to become somewhat of an embarrassment to those that use them and it is mainly our children who have missed out accordingly. Oxford United have agreed to step in and have offered real and tangible remedies and supports to bring things up to standard and make the facilities fit for purpose and sustainable at no cost to the community or the council. I would welcome such an important, prestigious and generous neighbour into our community. I am a proud resident and member of the community, but I fear that Kidlington is dying and a lack of care and investment on behalf of the parish and district council is allowing this to happen. I would implore you to do whatever is necessary to support this project and make it happen before yet another community loses its soul and fails the next generation of villagers"/>
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