

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	C Bunn
Address	32 Bicester Road, Kidlington, OX5 2LE
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>I oppose the proposed stadium at the triangle, I certainly do not think the stadium should be situated next to a Village and definatly not built on Green Belt land. Green Belt land is of immense importance to the local residents and provides a much needed habitat and corridor for wildlife.</p> <p>Last year Kidlington residents voted no to the Stadium in the Kidlington poll, and the Gosford and Water Eaton residents also voted no. What has happened to democracy, both parts of Kidlington voted no, why are the council not listening to the local residents, who do not want a stadium opposed on them. As a local resident I feel that the council left Kidlington residents uninformed, they did not organise an appropriate local consultation and they appear to be totaley uninterested in local residents views on the matter. At the last Tory manifesto we were promised that the Tories would protect the green belt, the green belt should remain as green belt or Kidlington will merge into Oxford.</p> <p>The proposed site is not suitable for a football stadium and Hotel Etc. Situated so close to the Village it will impinge on visual amenities, cause noise pollution, increase traffic and air pollution and have a negative impact on local residents which will out way any possible advantages. There will be regular disruption for the majority to benefit just a few.</p> <p>If a new stadium were to be built in Oxfordshire, surely onsite parking would be an essential part of the planning. Most fans will not travel by public transport, instead they choose the much cheaper option of travelling by car and park on the nearest housing estate as they do now at the Kassam Stadium. Some might pay to park in the park and ride car park which will mean local residents will be unable to use park and ride on match days and other days when events are happening at the stadium. On match days traffic will grind to a halt around the stadium rendering the roads to Oxford blocked for long periods of time, how are Kidlington residents expected to access Oxford Hospitals at these times? -or indeed anywhere South of the village?</p> <p>We must see this for what it is; a commercial exercise by commercial investors who are out to make as much money out of this as is possible, no matter what the cost to the Community of Kidlington. How long will it be before the Club are looking for another new site for a stadium when the 'investers' get greedy and the club cant afford to stay?</p>
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