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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Type of Comment	Support	
Туре	neighbour	
Comments		
	Sport is a huge part in many peoples lives, both to participate in and to take part in. Many enjoy both, some to spectate. Oxford United, the only professional football club in Oxfordshire, play a huge part of many. As a club, for many years and yes, we are not the only club who have had a traumatic history in football terms, we have not had a home to devote to our club, to the supporters, the community for a very long time. The Kassam came with huge promises, which were broken, the reasons are for another time. But the proposal for a new stadium, state of the arc and as modern as is possible, sustainable, which will help the community in support, employment, benefits to local groups in sporting facilities, something the Kassam could not do. It could well benefit local businesses with extra revenue. Traffic issues that transport supporters may well be a concern for locals on match days, but any event causes traffic, not just football matches. But How do these events manage? Investing in local concerns, reassuring local communities, good considerate planning, policed by stewards and police, educating those that come to watch that we are guests at the venue and be respectful. My late father introduced me to Oxford United in 1960, when Oxford United played in Headington. I remember then the big crowds walking to the ground but thinking, how quickly supporters very efficiently and quickly. I still support my beloved club, even though I moved away from Oxford, to work in London. Working abroard in Lanzarote, I returned at least once a month to follow my team. Now living in Hereford, I travel up at least once a month, though these days and being retired, it's not so easy for me. The passion we supporters have will never stop for our club, our team. The proposed new ground would be so important for the community of Oxfordshire, now and in the future.	
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