

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	
Name	Sarah Hewitt
Address	160 Oxford Road, Kidlington, OX5 1EA
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>Hello,</p> <p>I have tried to be objective with the planned build, engaging and have tried to see the positives. However, I continue to object to the decision to build the stadium on the Triangle, due to the following reasons:-</p> <p>We are in a climate crisis. It is never sustainable to pull down an existing stadium and rebuild over green belt land. And I'm sorry, I do not believe Oxford United are a credible enough team/business model to warrant this rebuild on our green resources. Their record clearly shows this.</p> <p>Inconsistent information from the club and council throughout. Constant change and at times disinformation has led me to not trust the clubs intentions and process. I.e. specifying a footbridge than retracting.</p> <p>Traffic and parking. Oxford Road is already congested and prone to traffic jams. Cycling and pedestrian access is very limited. I am also very concerned about the possibility of road closures on the day and lack of access to local residents, ie the station, shops travelling out of Kidlington into Oxford, use of local bus services. It is unacceptable to choose a site to build a stadium where that is an accepted part of the strategy right from the beginning.</p> <p>Parking. I am in no doubt Kidlington will be flooded with cars looking for car parking spaces during the match days and other events. As a resident on the main road, I do not want to start paying for parking, or possibly be blocked in my driveway with cars parking in front, due to the fact there is not enough planned parking space on the site.</p> <p>Wildlife and biodiversity. I am increasingly concerned already about the increased flooding in Kidlington, near the proposed site where the water flows into the road often after heavy rain affecting even the cycle path - on both sides of the road the water can be pooled right into the middle of the road. I am also seeing increased saturation along the Oxford Road, into the road from front gardens, and this is even with homes on a slight slope. It is totally irresponsible to build over an area which is affected beyond capacity during rainfall. For a council that claims to be investing in the secure environmental future of Oxford, I find this incredibly hypocritical. The water that currently builds up there, will just go somewhere else.</p> <p>I also object to any trees being cut down and loss of biodiversity due to building works, noise and pollution.</p> <p>In addition to once the stadium is built and from the plans will be used more than once weekly, there will be disruption, Pollution and traffic during the build for 3 years for local residents.</p>
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