

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	Bethany Mckinlay
Address	19 Barn Close, Kidlington, OX5 1SW
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>There is a failure to demonstrate the 'very special circumstances' needed to build on the Green Belt.</p> <p>The proposed site of the stadium is home to a number of animals and invertebrates, and the destruction of these habitats will push their numbers into further decline.</p> <p>We should be conserving nature for the sake of future generations, not destroying it.</p> <p>Traffic is already significant in Kidlington, with delays getting in and out of the village at rush hour.</p> <p>It already takes me over an hour to travel 9 miles, being in queieing traffic through Oxford & Banbury Roads. The stadium is only going to make this worse as stated in the traffic impact report. Particulary with the stated closure of Banbury Road at points on match days.</p> <p>The village will become near inaccessible during match days, not only with match traffic but with queues of traffic elsewhere trying to avoid it.</p> <p>Additional bus stops on Banbury Road will just create more queues, with them stopping traffic flowing at all.</p> <p>This has a significant impact on the lives of Kidlington residents and interferes greatly with daily lives.</p> <p>In addition, excess queing traffic will lead to an increase in emissions and impact the air quality in our village.</p> <p>The proposed 106 parking spaces on the site is going to lead to people parking in the village itself.</p> <p>Whilst the applicant proposes individuals will travel to the stadium via public transport, this is simply wishful thinking. Yes some might, but the convience of driving will always outweigh the inconvenience of public transport. The public transport links into the village would need significant upgrades to be anywhere near suitable. The expense of using public transport will also push people into driving to the stadium.</p> <p>People will always look for the cheapest option and will lead to people abadoning there cars in residential areas. The implementation of permits would add unreasonable cost to residents.</p> <p>I am also concerned about anti-social behaviour as a result of the stadium. As has been seen around Cowley and Oxford Station, some matches bring unruly, antisocial crows. The large number of people also attracts other criminals such as thieves. This makes Kidlington a truly underisable place to live.</p> <p>I strongly believe the negative impacts of the stadium on the local community far outweigh any positives.</p>
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