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

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Organisation

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Type of Comment

Support

Type

neighbour

Comments

I am writing as a long-term supporter of Oxford United to register my support for this application. It is difficult to imagine a site more ideally placed for access by public transport whereas the current stadium is very lacking in this respect.

It seems to me that a successful professional football team brings a great deal of civic pride to a city, which is appreciated by most locals, not just those regularly attending matches. I can remember the well attended celebrations and open-top bus trips around Oxford following the promotions in 2010 and 2016. This will all be lost if the club is unable to find a new and proper home and indeed the club may cease to exist altogether.

More than this, I have been impressed by the plans for the new stadium and the green credentials associated with it. It seems to me that it will provide useful facilities for local people, new publicly accessible green areas and a boost to the local community. I very much hope that permission will be given to enable construction to be started without any undue delay.

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