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

Steve Williams

Address

25 Lady Place, Sutton Courtenay, OX14 4FB

Type of Comment

Support

Type

neighbour

Comments

I have been a supporter of Oxford United for over 50 years. It's a matter of pride that Oxfordshire has a professional football club that has punched above its weight on many an occasion. I want my children and future generations to continue to watch the team's development in coming years and decades. This means that it is imperative for the club to have a ground it can call its own. The Kassam lease expires in a couple of years. There is NO option to renew it, despite the ill-informed objections of the 'Friends of Stratfield Brake'. Without a new ground, at worst, Oxford United will cease to exist. How can that be in the best interests of the county? At best, a failure to approve the ground development at the triangle would likely see the team leaving Oxfordshire and doing somthing similar to Wimbledon - ie relocating to another city or merging with another team. I think this would make the county a laughing stock.

I urge you to approve this development with all of the economic and sporting benefits this will provide to Oxfordshire and that supports the ongoing viability of the club.

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