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As a football fan who wants Oxford United to succeed I am sorry to object to this proposal. I do not need to repeat the issues already raised in the objections already submitted which I largely share and have to say I deeply regret to see how this issue has polarised our community and stimulated the most aggressive of reactions from all sides.

My own objection share the big concerns around:

- building on the green belt and the stadium proposal coming in addition to the thousands of houses already approved for this area and which effectively cement over much green belt land. The environmental consequences are massive for this area
- traffic on the Banbury road and all the surrounding roundabouts (Wolvercote, Peartree) are already chronic and big traffic build up especially in term time. We sometimes sit for nearly 10 minutes trying to get out of Harbord road onto the main road as things are now.
- it is totally unrealistic to expect that cars and coaches will not descend in considerable number on match days. We have seen the miles long parking of cars and coaches around the Kassam on match days.
- The railway station is not built for such big numbers descending on it and will prove to be too expensive for many fans.
- parking will be a nightmare and we live in a road that will be badly affected

Surely a more creative solution can be found led by the concerns of Oxford residents rather than developers profits which seem to guide the Councils planning considerations. The current plan is a disaster in waiting.

Kind regards

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