

Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

Application Number	<input type="text" value="24/00539/F"/>
Location	<input type="text" value="Land To The East Of Stratfield Brake And West Of Oxford Parkway Railway Station Oxford Road Kidlington"/>
Proposal	<input type="text" value="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	<input type="text" value="Laura Bell"/>
Organisation Name	<input type="text" value=""/>
Address	<input type="text" value="14 Ashdene Road, Bicester, OX26 2BH"/>
Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Support"/>
Type	<input type="text" value="neighbour"/>
Comments	<input type="text" value="I support this application because I believe that the new stadium will provide many great facilities for the local area far beyond just football. The design of the stadium and its surroundings will be second to none to ensure that it is environmentally friendly and will not cause a noise or environmental nuisance. The site could not be better placed for public transport usage - personally I and my family will travel by train from Bicester rather than driving as we currently do to the Kassam. The stadium, hotel, food outlets etc will provide a lot of local employment and the landscaped surroundings will be available for use by the local population where there is inaccessible wasteland at present. Oxford United FC themselves do fantastic work with schools and in the community generally and they are the only professional football club in Oxfordshire.
I know that some people who are opposed to this application just hear the words football stadium and imagine that Kidlington will be full of hooligans running amok on matchdays but this is a very outdated view of football supporters - they will be putting money in to the local economy and I personally have experienced no problems in the 40 years I have been supporting OUF. There are 23 home league fixtures in the season and a few cup matches - the exact number depending on how successful the club is and whether they have a home draw. Some cup matches have very low attendances. Some of the opposition to this application seems totally out of proportion in the context of the number of days therefore that there will be a match in the stadium when all of the other advantages to the area it will provide will be available every day all year round."/>
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