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When you are considering Oxford United's planning application for a new stadium in Kidlington I respectfully ask that the following points are taken into account.

Oxford Council's plans to build houses on both sides of the Oxford Road (A4260) from Jordan Hill to the Park and Ride means that the Tri-Angle will be the only bit of the Green Belt left to separate North Oxford from Kidlington, meaning in essence that Kidlington will no longer be separated or exist as a village.

Oxford council are actively trying to discourage people from driving into the city center and at the same time encouraging people to visit and shop in the city center. The park and ride with the railway station were built for that purpose.

It is not just residents of Kidlington who rely on it but people who live in the large number of surrounding villages who do not have local bus services, and have to drive for work and shopping.

When the stadium is built these facilities will be lost, not just on match days but on most days as the club have openly said that the stadium will have to generate income 52 weeks of the year from conferences and other events. Then there is the issue of road closures on match days and evenings which will disrupt a lot of the surrounding area not to mention parking in residential roads causing further disruption for residents. I see that the promised bridge over Oxford road has not been included in the current plan but is supposed to be following later if finance permits.

I think we all know that OUFC will over time find excuses to extend onto Streatfield Break and other areas as the proposed site will obviously be inadequate in a short period of time.

The devastating impact the stadium will have on the village and local wildlife is unmeasurable and not repairable.

It pains me to say all the above as I am a regular fan attending most of the home matches but I also love and respect our village.

I just hope the planning committee respect our community as well.

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