Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

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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

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Type of Comment

Support

Type

neighbour

Comments

Oxford United has an amazing opportunity here to grow the community. I personally think moving the stadium here would increase attendance as more easily accessible, in turn it will reduce emissions as there are very easy train/bus routes, and the match day traffic that we often see surrounding the kassam would be significantly reduced. Having transport links close to the stadium, is also much better for away fans to reach the stadium and again reduces emissions.

I also believe this reduces the risk of drink driving.

We have seen what the success of 2010's promotion to the football league has done for this club and the surrounding community since. The academy has improved tenfold, the facilities, the structure, the education. It is no wonder they have produced premier league players from that academy now. This is also very notable in the ladies team, where home grown talents are playing against England internationals. This club has given the young people from Oxford a chance. By moving stadiums I believe this frees Oxford of the shackles that Kassam holds over them, this would allow more investment to first team, academy, women's teams, and grassroots football. The community will benefit, in a time where the world is pretty grim, everything is unaffordable, the news is covered with negative stories, this would be something that the people of Oxford can look forward to.

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