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

Gary Quainton

Address

43 Orchard Way, Bicester, OX26 2EL

Type of Comment

Support

Type

neighbour

Comments

On a personal note, I have been a season ticket holder almost all my life, the football club means so much to me along with so many others. I see this on a regular basis when attending games, in everyday life and also at my place of work at Kirtlington Golf Club.

Living in Bicester I will certainly be using public transport to attend home games, an option that is currently not available at the Kassam Stadium with its terrible transport links and location. The triangle will be an excellent location and will reduce the environmental impact for those attending locally and from further afield.

Without this development, Oxford United could face homelessness by 2026. As a vital part of our community, it is imperative that the necessary steps are taken to secure the future of our beloved football club. This is more than a football stadium and will bring the club and the community even closer together. As a county we really should be embracing this with the positives massively outweighing any negatives. Just look at the uplifts at other clubs and communities both on and off the pitch economically and socially and how this has changed Brighton and Brentford football clubs with their new stadiums in recent years.

I have found it incredibly frustrating reading some of the misinformation, false statements and claims which have been made by those in opposing the development and by those in positions of power and representation that we are meant to trust.

Therefore, I urge you, as a council, to sign the Heads of Terms and the lease option agreement without further delay. By doing so, you can facilitate the next stages of Oxford United securing a permanent home to be proud of where it can thrive for generations to come.

Your support in this matter is crucial, and I encourage you to represent the interests of the community by backing the Oxford United Stadium development. No stadium equals no club, we must not let this great club die.

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Attachments