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

Case Officer

Laura Bell

Organisation

Name

Ian Allen

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28 Daresbury Place , Sheffield , S2 2BG,

Type of Comment

Support

Type

neighbour

Comments

I would like to state that I am in full support of Oxford United building their new stadium at the proposed Triangle site just outside Kidlington

I currently do not live in Oxford, but I am a livelong Oxford United fan. I also grew up in Kidlington and still have family living there so I know Kidlington and the proposed Triangle site very well. Firstly, I believe that it is critical that Oxford United find a new home and this site seems like an ideal location. Oxford United cannot stay at the Kassam Stadium and if the club cannot find a new home then there is a realisation that the club may cease to exist. If this happens then it will have a devastation effect on myself, my family and the thousands of Oxford United fans in Oxfordshire and around the world.

I fear that this stadium proposal is being treated as a bit of an eyesore, or a problem that the Local Council can just keep delaying in the hope that it goes away. I am not sure why that is the case. I know there are detractors and genuine concerns, but from what I have seen Oxford United have done everything they can to appease concerns, and there does not seem to be as much focus on the benefits that a new stadium can bring to the area and the positive benefits that will come from seeing Oxford United thrive in a new home. The future of Oxford United matters, and it should matter to the Local Council too. The reach of the football club goes far beyond matchdays, and I hope that the Council can be empathetic to the pride of which Oxford United fans view their club. This is a chance to build something truly special for Oxfordshire, and I hope that the Local Council can support the stadium project.

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