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

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Type of Comment

Support

Type

neighbour

Comments

I am writing as a lifelong Oxford Utd fan and the generations of my family that have followed Oxford since they were Headington Utd! The reason that I am commenting is that the reality of Oxford potentially not having a home in 2 years is incredibly worrying. My 11 year old son is now a huge Oxford Utd fan, and the thought of his generation not having a team to follow because OUFC do not have a ground, and were to go out of existence is unimaginable.

Football means so much, too so many, and I believe that it truly is and should be the heartbeat of our community. The Directors appear to have the best interest of the club at heart and have met all of the requirements in submitting plans that have been asked of them. Please can I therefore ask that there is no further delays on the decision making around Oxford's future, and that my 11 year old son has a team that he can still support in 2026, which are the only professional sports team our county has.

Oxford Utd provide fantastic community work, and inspire lots of children, and it is this generation that will be the ones that suffer if Oxford Utd do not have a home and go out of business.

I totally appreciate that there are many factors that you have to consider, but if our only professional sports club was to fold because OUFC do not have a home, that would truly be a very dark day for us all.

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