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	stephanie cox	
Address	39 Barry Avenue, Bicester, OX26 2DZ	
Type of Comment	Support	
Туре	neighbour	
Comments	I would like to support the planning application. I attended my first OUFC match at the age of 12, at the Manor Ground, and now my family have grown up I am in a position to have a season ticket. I have just retired and being able to attend matches is so important to me. I cannot imagine what it would be like not to have my home town football club any more. This is what football is all about, supporting your local club along with the many other supporters, who turn up week in and week out to watch their team. You get to know the fans who sit around you which is especially important for those who live alone. The new stadium will provide facilities and employment for the people of Kidlington and I'm sure the club will address the worries over an increase in traffic. I know a lot of supporters have committed to using public transport. I live in Bicester and would use either the bus or the train to get to matches. At the moment I have no choice but to drive to the Kassam, which isn't always easy when their are delays on the A34 and the clogged up roads into Oxford. The new stadium is also important for women's football as well. My eldest daughter plays football, but she really struggled in her teens to get girls football taken seriously. She wasn't able to play in a ladies team until she was 16. Now there are so many more opportunities for girls and ladies to play football. This needs to be encouraged, it was so beneficial to my daughters mental health when she was struggling. I hope that the council can discuss any issues they have, about the planning application, with the club so that this can be passed. The club is so important to me.	
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