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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

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Organisation

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Type of Comment

Support

Type

neighbour

Comments

This could be an amazing opportunity for the people of Oxfordshire. The plans look stunning and it will be something to be proud of. Oxford United needs a home and Oxfordshire deserves a world class stadium that befits our wonderful city. Having grown up in Kidlington I think it would have been exciting to have this on my doorstep. Any concerns of trouble are unfounded really, I use to live by Fratton Park in Portsmouth and honestly it was one of the most safe, fun and inclusive areas of the city where people were just there to enjoy themselves.

The transport links are up there with any stadium in the country and I believe it would be one of the closest to a train station. People will use public transport to get to games as currently they have no choice but to drive due to the poor location of The Kassam. I live in Adderbury so I would take the train from Banbury into Oxford, soak up the atmosphere in the city and then take a bus to the ground. Fans from far and wide can really make a day of it. I also would look forward to watching Oxford United women play in an arena which would help them progress too during this boom in popularity for the women's game.

I believe Oxford have pledged to maintain the facilities at Stratfield Brake which would free up funds for the local council and this is admirable. Football clubs are at the forefront of their communities and Oxford United do so much for theirs through the club and charity OUFC in the Community. For many people their football club is their lifeline and they cannot comprehend it not existing anymore. Please support this stadium application to ensure this does not happen.

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