

# Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

<b>Application Number</b>	24/00539/F
<b>Location</b>	Land To The East Of Stratfield Brake And West Of Oxford Parkway Railway Station Oxford Road Kidlington
<b>Proposal</b>	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
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<b>Type of Comment</b>	Objection
<b>Type</b>	neighbour
<b>Comments</b>	<p>I have grave concerns that the plans for OUFC to build a 16,000 person stadium on the triangle site are going to cause serious issues with traffic and public transport around the triangle site and at Oxford Parkway, causing significant disruption to nearby residents. The planning gives a target of 90% of users arriving by public transport. This would be 14,400 people arriving by public transport. Space for only 150 bikes, maybe same again at parkway, and some users may be close enough to walk. Leaving at least 13,000 people to arrive by train or coach/bus - is the train station capable of thousands of extra people trying to arrive at the same time? Are there enough trains to run at these times? I'm also really concerned that the road network and Oxford Parkway are not big enough to accommodate all of the people potentially arriving by coach or bus - even if only half do, that's roughly 130 coaches/buses trying to drop off/pick up stadium users within a short timeframe. How is this going to work in such a way that doesn't seriously disrupt other users trying to get to the train station or use the park and ride to get into Oxford (especially as Oxford Parkway wasn't designed to deal with this many people using the site)? Are they going to get caught up in queues after matches when thousands of people are trying to catch buses/trains to leave the site? Where are these queues of thousands of people waiting to catch a train or get on a bus/coach going to wait? There's not enough space for everyone to be able to leave the stadium and walk straight onto a train/bus/coach.</p> <p>And the disruption from the proposals to close Oxford Road before and after matches and diverting drivers along Frieze Way to the A44, which can already have bad traffic queues and is likely to get worse when the nearly 4000 new houses in the surrounding planned developments are built (which would also increase the use of Oxford Park and Ride). And there's the potential if the roads around the site do end up getting gridlocked and stadium users find that the public transport is unreliable, that they revert back to driving and are forced to park in nearby residential areas given the lack of parking on site, causing problems for residents trying to park their cars outside their own houses.</p> <p>There's also the use of green belt land for a large commercial development, which is some of the only green space left between Oxford and Kidlington, especially given the planned housing developments in the area (which are much more necessary than a stadium).</p>
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