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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Organisation

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Type of Comment

Support

Type

neighbour

Comments

I am an ex North Oxford resident, hoping to move back to the Kidlington area in the next few years.

As a child I had a very happy childhood in Kidlington. 35 years ago it was a thriving hub, the local sporting facilities were better than they are now and there was a thriving high street. In recent areas Kidlington has fallen behind other nearby areas like Summertown. It's fallen behind due to a lack of leadership from the local administrators and most importantly a lack of commercial funding.

The Stratfield Brake proposal will not only save the long term future of Oxford United but it will also provide fantastic facilities for the local community. People have to be realistic, the area needs investment and this is being offered on a plate by the owners of Oxford United.

Whilst the new stadium will predominantly benefit the local community and Oxford United, it will also benefit the wider Oxfordshire community. The county lacks first class sporting facilities which are available to all, and the plans submitted detail a proposal that the whole of Oxfordshire will be proud of.

Please do not deny the area of much needed investment, please do not deny the local communities facilities that will enhance their lives.

Those objecting to the proposal are not just potentially killing a much loved sporting institution which has supported the local communities for decades in a variety of ways, but they will be denying the local people a once in a lifetime opportunity to enhance the area in which they live. The land this is being built on is not even accessible to locals at present.

Further delays in themselves could kill this project. Please do not only approve Oxford United's plans, please approve in a timely fashion.

Thank you for taking the time to read my views.

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Attachments