

# Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

<b>Application Number</b>	<input type="text" value="24/00539/F"/>
<b>Location</b>	<input type="text" value="Land To The East Of Stratfield Brake And West Of Oxford Parkway Railway Station Oxford Road Kidlington"/>
<b>Proposal</b>	<input type="text" value="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>	<input type="text" value="Support"/>
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<b>Comments</b>	<p>I hope this letter finds you well, and that the spirit of Oxford United is thriving within the club and its supporters. As a passionate follower of our beloved football team, I felt compelled to express my thoughts and feelings on some crucial matters that concern the future and prosperity of Oxford United.</p> <p>To me, Oxford United is not just a football club; it's a cornerstone of our community, a beacon of pride, and a symbol of unity. Growing up in Oxford, I have witnessed firsthand the profound impact that our club has had on the city's identity, culture, and spirit. It's more than just a game; it's a shared passion that brings people together, transcending boundaries of age, race, and background.</p> <p>The thought of Oxford United ceasing to exist is unimaginable and deeply troubling. It would leave a void in the heart of our city, robbing future generations of the joy, camaraderie, and sense of belonging that comes with supporting our local team. The club represents resilience, perseverance, and the unwavering spirit of Oxford, and its absence would be felt far beyond the confines of the football pitch.</p> <p>My connections to Oxford United run deep, ingrained in the fabric of my life and experiences. From attending matches with my family as a child to cheering on the team with friends in the stands, each moment has contributed to a tapestry of memories that I hold dear. The camaraderie among fellow supporters, the highs and lows of the game, and the shared sense of purpose have forged bonds that transcend mere fandom; they are bonds of kinship and belonging.</p> <p>A new stadium for Oxford United would mean everything to me and to our community. It's not just about having a modern facility for the team to play; it's about investing in the future, both on and off the pitch. A new stadium would be a symbol of progress, ambition, and commitment to excellence. It would provide a platform for growth, attracting top talent, fostering youth development, and enhancing the matchday experience for fans.</p> <p>The importance of Oxford United to me cannot be overstated. It's a source of inspiration, joy, and pride—a constant presence in my life that brings me together with friends, family, and fellow supporters. The club represents the best of Oxford, embodying the values of teamwork, determination, and community spirit.</p> <p>Reflecting on my favorite memories of Oxford United, I am flooded with a sense of nostalgia and gratitude. From historic victories to nail-biting encounters, each moment holds a special place in my heart. Whether it's the jubilation of promotion or the agony of defeat, the shared experiences with fellow fans have enriched my life in ways that words cannot fully capture.</p> <p>Beyond the realm of football, Oxford United makes a significant difference in the community. From charitable initiatives to youth development programs, the club is a force for good, enriching the lives of individuals and families across Oxfordshire. Whether it's supporting local causes or inspiring the next generation of athletes, Oxford United's impact extends far</p>

beyond the pitch.

Being part of the Oxford United family is a privilege and an honor. It's a feeling of belonging, of being part of something greater than oneself. The camaraderie among supporters, the sense of solidarity, and the shared passion for our club create a bond that transcends differences and unites us in a common cause.

Looking ahead, I firmly believe that a new stadium is essential to the future success of our club. It's not just about infrastructure; it's about laying the foundation for long-term growth and sustainability. A modern stadium would attract investment, enhance revenue streams, and create opportunities for the club to thrive both on and off the pitch. Moreover, it would reaffirm our commitment to the city of Oxford and ensure that future generations can continue to experience the magic of matchday at Oxford United.

In conclusion, I urge you to consider the profound significance of Oxford United to our community and the critical role that a new stadium plays in securing the club's future. Let us work together to build a legacy that future generations can be proud of—a legacy of excellence, resilience, and unwavering commitment to the spirit of Oxford United.

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