

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	
Name	Janet Escritt
Address	39 Davenant Road,Oxford,OX2 8BU
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>PARKING PROVISION This is clearly insufficient. Many fans will undoubtedly come by car. The Park & Ride car park, and other Kidlington carparks will be used, to the detriment of other users. Local businesses may well suffer as a result. It is unreasonable for a new private facility to rely on the existing parking provided by other businesses or paid for out of the public purse. Moreover, residential streets in the surroundings will inevitably be adversely impacted by the large number of cars coming into the area on match days.</p> <p>HIGHWAY SAFETY Many extra cars, additional buses, coaches, large numbers of pedestrians and cyclists, together with regular traffic, in an area which is already frequently very congested, cannot be managed safely. There is not enough space. Closing the public road regularly is unacceptable for all other users and residents, wishing to go about their everyday lives. It will also add to congestion and risk.</p> <p>ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION The pollution from all the extra traffic will be considerable. In addition there will be noise and light pollution. Large numbers of local residents will be seriously affected.</p> <p>DRAINAGE AND FLOOD RISK The site is wet. There is a lot of surface water there. The Oxford area frequently suffers widespread flooding. A great many new houses are already being built in the Green Belt. Furthermore there is all the building for the new business park. The projected stadium and its associated facilities will remove one of the last drainage spaces. Where is all the water to go ?</p> <p>LANDSCAPE IMPACT Norther Oxford and Kidlington are residential areas. Most houses are not large, there are few blocks of flats, most shops are small, there is one large supermarket, which is low-rise. A large 25 metre stadium will have a massive and detrimental impact on the area. It is staggering that it could ever be considered a possibility.</p> <p>NATURE CONSERVATION The fields around Water Eaton are already being lost to walkers. Stratfield Brake is the one remaining nature reserve, a place of beauty and tranquillity. An enormous development just across the road must inevitably affect it detrimentally, as will the regular arrival of thousands of people in the area.</p>
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