Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

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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

Laura Bell

Organisation

Name

Darren Harnett

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Type of Comment

Support

Type

neighbour

Comments

I have been supporting Oxford United as a season ticket holder commuting into Oxford since 1996. In that time I have seen the highs and lows of football on and off the pitch. I was 11 then, I'm 38 now and I'm just starting to share the same experiences my dad did with me with my own children. I'm fearful that without this new stadium there might be no Oxford United for my children to grow up supporting.

The current stadium is, quite frankly by modern standards, soulless and devoid of the local infrastructure and technology befitting such a great city. With three stands it's an awkward eyesore and an embarrassment to all concerned. It is also a reminder of what happens when such uncertainty can exist for a football club, ultimately we Oxford fans were just grateful for a place to play back then. Now we have the opportunity to look forward to a brand new state of the art and sustainable stadium; with much better transport links which will undoubtedly boost attendances and reduce the impact of football travel on our environment. I live in Milton Keynes so the ability for me to jump on a train to games in future is one I'm excited about and football fans all over the country can do the same.

I urge you to support the planning application and ensure that we have a football club and stadium to be proud of for all of Oxfordshire and beyond.

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