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

James Parker

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Type of Comment

Support

Type

neighbour

Comments

I now reside in Northampton, however was a resident in Headington, Blackbird Leys, Woodstock and Bicester until we moved to Northampton in 2011.

I have been a season ticket holder Since 1984 and continue to watch home and away with my 16 year old son whom also has an absolute love of Oxford United.

The Kassam, despite being relatively new is an abomination of a stadium with atrocious facilities, horrendous public transport connectivity and a very poorly thought through road network with one way in/out. To compound OUFCs issues, the owner of the stadium has since 2006 made many false promises around allowing a 4th stand, discussions on buying the stadium and fixing the many defects at the stadium but despite the best efforts of 4 previous boards it is apparent that there is no appetite to sell, improve or continue the lease of the stadium - made abundantly clear but the owners plan to have housing on the site as per the 2040 strategy

A new stadium with improved transport links will mean that we can travel easily on train and not worry about traffic, getting away from the stadium and in essence completely changing our Matchday experience - likewise for my son it will mean he will have an ability to continue to support the club he loves without fear of them being homeless and in a state of art stadium and finally being able to enjoy the Matchday experience

Oxford united is such a benefit to the local community with its involvement in education, health and general charitable associations

The stadium looks Fantastic, with a design that blends into the landscape but offers a real identity to the area.

The club, as part of its commitment to Kidlington and the wider county has committed to a community hub to inspire young people, lead the way in health promotion, provide local jobs and investment, and to provide world class facilities that reflect our county's world renowned image and reputation for innovation.

I implore you to make THE RIGHT decision, the one that will safeguard our Counties only professional sports club future and give future generations an opportunity to continue supporting their football club

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