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

Name

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Type of Comment

Objection

Type

neighbour

Comments

The Proposal is a total tragic waste of an existing rare environmental resource, in exchange for an oversized sports stadium, especially when there are existing sports facilities at the spacious Kassam Stadium, which has more than enough capacity for the Oxford United team and its loyal supporters.

It is an appalling idea that yet another piece of the Oxford green belt is going to be tragically destroyed by stamping a vast concrete and metal structure onto this much needed green haven.

If this patch of green environment is destroyed for a stadium, there are huge problems for the local residents.

There are no car parking facilities for the travelling football supporters, the local area will be flooded with visitor's cars.

There is mention of sealing off the Banbury Road on Match days, with the local residents in the area praying that an emergency fire engine or ambulance are not required on these days.

It is extraordinary that the only remaining small piece of Green Belt land known as the Kidlington Gap, which separates Kidlington from Oxford has been suggested as a possible site on which to stamp a vast stadium.

It is an Environmental Disaster that can be prevented, by Oxford United unselfishly choosing to stay at their existing Kassam Stadium.

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