## Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

**Application Number** 24/00539/F

Location Land To Th

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

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**Type of Comment** 

Objection

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neighbour

**Comments** 

I object to this application on the following grounds:

Traffic. There is no coherent scheme to manage the additional traffic, both vehicular and pedestrian, that this stadium would generate. The proposal guarantees enormous disruption to local residents and businesses in terms of restricting access along busy roads in and out of Oxford, and pressure on parking spaces in local roads and car parks which are already well used and required for residents and others using existing amenities in the area. Safety. The site is too small and constrained to allow safe evacuation in the event of a major incident.

Environment. This small parcel of green belt land is environmentally sensitive and will be the last remaining buffer separating Kidlington from Oxford as other sprawling developments continue in the area.

Unnecessary. Other, better, options have been ignored or sidelined. The club could negotiate to remain at Kassam, where all the infrastructure exists, and is situated within its large East Oxford fan base. Or it could relocate to the opposite side of Grenoble Road, if only the club, Oxfordshire and South Oxfordshire Councils would have grown up, sensible conversations. Either of these would be superior options financially and environmentally, and would utilise existing transport infrastructure as well as the proposed Cowley rail link.

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**Attachments**