

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	Charlotte Berry
Address	85 Bicester Road, Kidlington, OX5 2LD
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>I have several reasons for objecting to the stadium:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Traffic - Kidlington does not have the infrastructure to deal with this volume of traffic. It is already congested at normal rush hour and if there is a problem on the A34 so it definitely cannot cope with 1000's of cars.2. Proposed road closure - This is a preposterous solution to the clearly unsolvable traffic issue. To suggest closing the main road into the centre of Oxford is ridiculous. So local residents will have to drive to peartree park and ride to access buses or wait a couple of hours until it reopens?3. The bridge - even if this is built it couldn't be big enough to accommodate all the fans so they will spill onto the roads.4. Parking - with zero parking being built into the plans Kidlington will become one huge car park. The home and away fans will not all use public transport as it is neither convenient or cheap, especially when there is parking within easy walking distance of the stadium. If parking restrictions are introduced who will enforce this? If there are traffic wardens who will pay for them? I don't see why the taxpayer should foot the bill.5. Environment - Lip service is once again given to protection of the green belt and the environment. Much has been spoken about the sustainability of the stadium but this always seems to be a future aim (ie. probably won't happen) and apparently not one that can be achieved on completion. And is the impact of building an unnecessary stadium and destroying wildlife considered in their carbon footprint? No.6. Litter - who will be responsible for maintaining the surrounding area. Once again I do not see why the taxpayer should have to carry the financial burden of supporting a private company.7. Development - A development of this scale is completely unsuitable for this area. Kidlington is a village and does not have the amenities to support a project of this size. Any new businesses will not be for the locals but for fans and I fear locals will not want to use shops etc if there are so many fans everywhere, therefore completely changing and in some aspects destroying the village.
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