## 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

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Type of Comment

Objection

Type

neighbour

**Comments** 

First, I fully support engagement in community, objectives that benefit communities and promoting physical exercise.

My impression is the Oxford United could be a key driver in supporting these objectives. It's clear there are two competing interests and they carry with them 2 extremely different goals.

The intention to place a stadium at the triangle does not appear to meet the needs of Oxford United. It's simply one option of many and it isnt clear why any of the alternative 60 sites were discounted.

I fully promote sustainable travel and as we enter Earth day and Greener Allied Health Professions week it's super hard to really understand the benefit of a stadium being rebuilt here in Kidlington.

I am an adopted football fan by family. My son is a u18 ref, plays in Kidlington and supports football. The joy of watching are young folk participate in community is important. And, I can understand the rationale for needing a space for the stadium.

What I object to is the impact, the fundamental craziness of placing a stadium here when it makes no logical sense to the people, community, land, environment, climate and sustainability of life.

We all know we present our best arguments when we want something, just listen to our teenagersbut let's be focused on the longstanding matter. In my late 50's, I cycle to the hospital at Headington each day, I want to. My house is in Garden city, close to the stadium, the stadium lights will impact my environment, the stadium will dramatically change the area, flora and fauna. People will park on my road and walk to the stadium, people will affect my family's life more.

On balance the merits of the stadium and the need and the possibility of enhancing community do not on this Earth day balance out the extreme effect this will have on our

Oxford United need a new stadium for their community but not at the expense of our environment and community.

I urge the planners to consider the life limiting effects that will be felt in the next 2 decades by destroying the green belt and community in Kidlington when alternatives could be considered.

No one wants the legacy of 'I told you so'

Nothing is drastic enough to move stadium here.

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