

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	
Address	Mark Luscombe 61 Helford Drive,Paignton,Devon,TQ4 7NL
Type of Comment	Support
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>To whom it may concern,</p> <p>This project is vital to not just the future and the soul of Oxford United as a club, but to that of the city and the county as a whole, too. It represents so much more than just a stadium, it represents a once in a generation opportunity - for business and the community in your district. The stadium is a foregone conclusion, it will be built, whether that be on the Kidlington Triangle site, or if the club has to go through the arduous and bitterly disappointing process of finding an alternative location. All that remains, in the approval or denial of this planning application, is for you - the people with the power to do so - to decide whether to take this opportunity or not. To open your district up to what will one day in the not-too distant future be Premier League, and then European football, and all of the revenue, potential further development, and positive attention that would bring. Or, conversely, allow yourselves to be influenced by a small, if vocal minority who lack the imagination and the vision to see the benefits of such a development. Oxfordshire is among, if not the largest remaining UK market without a Premier League team, but to build a long term and sustainable Premier League franchise, an escape from the ugly, cold and soulless Grenoble Road site and its equally ugly, cold and soulless owner Firoz Kassam is essential. A brand new, world-class stadium with the ability to serve as a venue for other sporting events as well as concerts and conventions would put not just Oxford United, but the district of Cherwell on not just the national, but world map. All that remains is for you to do the right thing, to sign your name on a project that will stand as a home for a future titan of English football, for not just the fans now but for their children and their children's children. On behalf of all my fellow fans both in the city of Oxford and beyond, thank you for your time and consideration, and let us take this opportunity United, club, community and council as one.</p>
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