Comment for planning application 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

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neighbour

Comments

As a local member of the Cycle Advocacy Network I object to the Application in its current form.

I've listed some changes to the Application that I deem necessary to make it acceptable:

- the number of on-site cycle should be increased 5-fold from 150 to 750: this provision should be under-cover;
- the stepped access from Oxford Parkway to Oxford Road should be replaced by a pedestrian/cycle tunnel under the Oxford Road and a ramped bridge over the railway and A34 as described in Chris Robins' submission;
- a second pedestrian/cycle tunnel under the Oxford Road immediately north of the A34 is also required to provide a link between the new cycleway on the east side of Kidlington roundabout and the proposed Stadium;
- the Application should include a commitment to fund the implementation of the LCWIP along the A4260 between the Kidlington roundabout and the north end of Kidlington: cycling along the A4260 in Kidlington is currently dangerous and will be made more dangerous if the Stadium plans go ahead due to an increase in the number of vehicles;
- the Application should include a commitment to fund improvements (ie resurfacing) of the pedestrian/cycleway alongside the (north-south) Bicester Road between Sainsburys and the Water Eaton Lane junction;
- and lastly but perhaps most importantly the Application should include a commitment to fund the creation of a new cycleway alongside the (north-south) Bicester Road between the Water Eaton Lane junction and the Hampton Poyle road: this road currently has no cycling provision [and Oxfordshire Highways in 2023 erected no-cycling signs along the narrow footway on the western side]: the road is busy and currently dangerous to cycle along, and the situation will be made worse if the Stadium is developed because it will be the shortest route for cars/buses/coaches approaching the Stadium from the Midlands and North.

I hope that all these items can be included in an amended Application which I look forward to seeing in due course. In its current form however the Application should be rejected.

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Attachments