

# Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

<b>Application Number</b>	24/00539/F
<b>Location</b>	Land To The East Of Stratfield Brake And West Of Oxford Parkway Railway Station Oxford Road Kidlington
<b>Proposal</b>	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
<b>Case Officer</b>	Laura Bell
<b>Organisation Name</b>	
<b>Address</b>	Clare Horne 25 Hampden Drive, Kidlington, OX5 2LR
<b>Type of Comment</b>	Objection
<b>Type</b>	neighbour
<b>Comments</b>	<p>As a local resident, I object on many grounds: The enormous waste of money when they already have perfectly good stadium at the Kassam, that they have not been asked to leave, as they state. The impact on and reduction of yet more green belt land and on a site of environmental value. Not only will it affect the natural habitats and wildlife but also the mental health of those who appreciate it. The noise pollution will also affect mental health. At home, you do not want to worry about your own safety and lack of peace. The traffic chaos it would cause - this area already has traffic issues with frequent grid-locking. The extra housing to be built will already make it significantly worse and with a stadium it would make trips to Oxford from Kidlington unpleasurable or impossible due to time constraints imposed due to this. The roads can't cope. If I had to travel to work on a Saturday afternoon how could I guarantee getting there on time with all this extra volume of people and traffic? Also due to the vast number of fans arriving in Kidlington, many of whom would be parking in local resident areas as there is not sufficient parking on site, I would not feel safe or feel comfortable with my children walking around Kidlington during end of match chaos when throngs of supporters in various levels of order or disorder (inebriated or not) are wandering in the streets. Football fans can be very intimidating and unruly, especially in gangs. The shutting of Oxford Road - how can they even think about shutting this major artery road for every game. What about workers or emergency vehicles? In fact, are Kidlington residents second class citizens? Are we not allowed the freedom to travel to Oxford in an acceptable time or to attend an event or appointment just because football fans have priority... who don't even live here???</p> <p>Not listening to locals - the people of Kidlington voted, they don't want it but they are being ignored - Why? Who is getting the backhander? Scale &amp; Size - a development of this size goes against all the local plans - so again why or how has it got to this stage. In summary, this plan is ill conceived, in the wrong place and not even needed! So why spend 161m on it that no-one in the local area wants when you already have a stadium at the Kassam that you can stay at?"</p>
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