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Dear Jennifer,

Re: Application number 126431/FO/2020

I am writing with regards to the above planning application to add further support to the proposal.

British Cycling has already submitted a letter of support highlighting the social and economic impact and suitability with regards to existing local planning policy. But I also wanted to highlight the issue of sustainability.

From our headquarters in East Manchester, British Cycling aims to deliver international sporting success, to increase the number of regular cyclists, and to represent our members, many of whom are passionate about cycling's health and environmental benefits.

Oak View Group's proposal to build one of the world's most sustainable arenas at the nearby Etihad Campus supports these aims, both through energy efficient and environmental practices, and through prioritising and promoting active and environmentally friendly travel. This will include improving walking and cycling routes linking with the city centre.

British Cycling fully supports this proposal. It will further elevate the status of Manchester as a world-leading sport and leisure destination, and the Etihad Campus as a beacon of best practice in urban renewal, combining economic growth and local opportunity with progress towards net zero carbon goals.

Yours sincerely,

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Julie Harrington
Chief Executive Officer
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