

Comments for Planning Application 126431/FO/2020

Application Summary

Application Number: 126431/FO/2020

Address: Site South Of Sportcity Way, East Of Joe Mercer Way, West Of Alan Turing Way And North Of The Ashton Canal At The Etihad Campus Manchester

Proposal: Erection of a multi-use arena (Use Class D2) (61082 sqm) with a partially illuminated external facade together with ancillary retail/commercial uses (Classes A1, A3 and A4), with highways, access, servicing, landscaping, public realm and other associated works.

Case Officer: Jennifer Atkinson

Customer Details

Name: Not Available

Address: Not Available

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: The current arena is superb. It is in good order with upgrades planned and is run incredibly efficiently. The parking, especially considering the town centre location, is slick and easy and as an entity is the best I visit anywhere. The proposal to build a second would not be free market economy competition, it would be guaranteed suicide for one of the venues if both ran in parallel. Whilst many see 'out of town' venues as clinically efficient, this proposal would be devoid of the town centre facilities, the excellent rail and tram access and importantly, the incredible Manchester town centre experience that offers out of town visitors access to shops, restaurants and hotels across a huge range of socio eco affordability. Heritage is another consideration. We live in a world of cold remote mezzanine structures that have short lives and no future historic potential. The current MEN has it all and the trading of important heritage and legacy value for some isolated same old same old type venue surrounded by cheap food chain providers will make me travel to other cities. Myself and my family love Manchester and vigorously do not support the proposal.