

# 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: New York doesn't have two Madison Square Gardens. London does not have two O2s. A second stadium of comparable size to the Manchester Arena, is not economically viable. It is a world-class concert venue.

Whilst I understand the efforts to regenerate the Eastlands area of the city, it is important that the city centre remains economically and culturally vibrant. The allure of visitors to the Manchester Arena, positively impacts the surrounding City Centre economy. Furthermore after the terrorist attack at the Arena, it has taken on a more profound culturally symbolic meaning for Mancunians. As such, we should make the strongest efforts to preserve it.