

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: As a regular concert goer I have attended Manchester Arena many times. The location is perfect for travel to Manchester as it's accessible easily by train and by road. With similar arenas holding concerts in Sheffield and Leeds with the same acts as MEN, I cannot see how another arena just outside the city centre can be viable. Football arenas are often used for the occasional, larger events and proven to be successful - in particular the Etihad stadium, but demand is not sufficient for regular use. The creation of a large arena outside Manchester Centre will take away visitors from the city centre bars, restaurants and shops and be less accessible by train links, increasing traffic yet more. I cannot see that two similar venues holding the same events can possibly be viable