

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:I fail to understand why Manchester needs another concert venue when we already have at least 3. The O2 Apollo, The Bridgewater Hall, and The Manchester Arena. The last 2 being on excellent, central public transport routes, with easy connections to all outlying areas of the city.

Whereas the new proposed development would be on a single spoke of our metrolink system, to an area with the Etihad stadium, and all of the possible nightmare scenarios of a football match and concert being held at the same time.

It's not as if the existing concert venues are fully booked up every night, with no capacity for more concerts.

The highly likely scenario is that one of the existing venues would be driven out of business due to the extra capacity, and to put additional strain on an already overcrowded transport system.

A new venue will not be for the benefit of the public who support the existing venues, but a cash cow for the developer to milk an existing over priced entertainment service.