

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 don't believe this is the correct site for a new Arena. It's too far out of the centre. There is not enough public transport or car parking in the area. While the tram is fine for getting to the proposed Arena it's not capable of getting people away quick enough after. Private transport will no doubt be discouraged as seems to be the policy these days and any street parking will no doubt be restricted as it is for football matches.

There are not enough and I doubt there ever will be enough to do (food & drink options) in the area before any event so that will mean either travelling up from the center or just going straight to the venue and not spending any money in the city. And any that are built will no doubt try and charge a premium. In the city center there are a multitude of places offering a wide variety of options and many different price points.

I am a City season card holder so I know what it's like to try and get to the area. I acknowledge that the proposed Arena will have smaller crowds but 20K people are still a lot.

The current arena is far from perfect but having been to many Arena's it does what it needs to do.

Simon Kirl