

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: It is clear even a city like Manchester cannot support a further large scale concert arena, currently the Manchester arena which is an outstanding venue meets the vast majority of needs, attending any event where the crowds are larger lessens the customer/fan experience, even the Manchester arena as is at the rear of the stadium you struggle to view the artist's on stage. Much larger events are currently able accommodated at The Etihad, Old Trafford Cricket or footballs stadia. The current arena is not over subscribed now and attracts the largest of names in the entertainment industry. I'm all for progress but a new arena can only be to the detriment of the current arena and fans, it's built into a railway station too so it's handier for fans to arrive and exit.

I urge the planning committee to dismiss the new stadium application and use the site for much needed affordable social housing or other.