

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'm commenting as somebody that has attended a large number of events at Manchester Arena. The Arena is an excellent venue and is situated in a good location, with plenty of facilities close by including car parking, restaurants and a mainline train station on site.

On the other hand, the proposed new arena appears to be a case of Manchester City FC's owners trying to further profit from the city, with the only beneficiaries being them and the club. Assuming the pricing of food and drink will be similar to that at the Etihad, the quality will be poor, it will also be overpriced. The proposed venue is extremely close to a densely populated residential area, has less than ideal public transport links (as witnessed first hand following events at the Etihad) and is not the greatest location to drive to by car.