

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 do not see the need for a second arena in Manchester when we already have one of the largest and best arenas in the UK. I feel the city would benefit more from renovations and modernisations to Manchester Arena, something which already holds so much history and cultural value to the city. I also do not feel the city could sustain two arenas, especially due to current circumstances and the impact this has had and will have on the events industry going forward. Manchester Arena is a central venue with excellent transport links. It is also a local employer. As a student just finishing a degree I know how important this has been as a source of income to some of my peers to be able to continue studying and living in Manchester.

Manchester City Football Club already has a large stronghold with events hosted in the city with its Etihad Stadium holding multiple concerts annually. As the club already has such a vast hold on outdoor concert events held in the city I do not see that it is necessary or appropriate for them to also monopolise indoor arena events. This is detracting from the established Manchester live music scene.

Don't fix what isn't broken. We do not need a second arena.