

PARISH OF KIDMORE END

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – 22 APRIL 2026

Report on Planning application P25/S1431/O, and appeal inquiry APP/Q3115/A/25/3377313

Members of the Parish Council's Plans' Sub-Committee attended the Planning Committee meeting at the District Council in December last year, to address the Committee in opposition to the application : P25/S1431/O - for development at the former Reading Golf Club course. The District Council's officer recommended approval of the application, while the Parish Council recommended refusal. The Planning Committee voted to refuse the application.

In February, the Parish Council was notified that an appeal had been lodged - APP/Q3115/A/25/3377313 - to be determined after a public inquiry.

Site Address : Land West of Kidmore End Road Emmer Green Oxfordshire RG4 8SG Description of development: Outline planning application for the development of up to 70 homes (including affordable housing), new vehicular access, associated parking and landscaping (all matters reserved except for access). (As amended by plans and additional information submitted 18.08.2025, 25.09.2025, 04.11.2025 and 10.11.2025).

The Parish Council sought, and has been granted, Rule 6 party status for the appeal, and is thus able to be represented formally at the inquiry

The Council has started a crowdfunding campaign to support the funding of a barrister, John Fitzsimons from Cornerstone Barristers, London. As at the date of this report, over £6,000 has been donated

A group from the Plans' Sub-Committee and Bettina Kirkham, a landscape consultant, have worked on the required documents in preparation for the inquiry.

Five days have been set aside for the inquiry, 6-8 and 12-13 May . Venue -the Fountain Centre in Wallingford. Starting time on 6th- May 2026 at 10am. Further information will be on the Parish Council's website

Parishioners are encouraged to attend the inquiry. If they would like to speak, they should either contact the Planning Inspectorate or attend on the first day and make their request.

Sue Biggs

17 April 2026