



## INQUIRY PROGRAMME (Updated 15 August 2025)

**Appeal ref:** APP/X0360/W/25/3364304

**Appeal site:** Land between Lodge Road and Tape Lane, Hurst RG10 0EG

**Inquiry venue:** Civic Offices, Shute End, Wokingham RG40 1BN

### WEEK1

#### DAY 1: Tuesday, 12 August 2025 - 10.00am start

| Subject             | Party              | Speaker/Witness | Duration   |
|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------|
| Introduction        | Inspector          | Guy Davies      | 30 minutes |
| Opening submissions | Appellant          | John Litton     | 15 minutes |
|                     | Council            | Matthew Lewin   | 15 minutes |
| Statements          | Interested parties |                 | 1 hour     |
| Lunch               |                    |                 |            |
| Landscape           | Evidence in chief  | Stuart Ryder    | 1 hour     |
|                     | Cross examination  |                 | 2 hours    |

#### DAY 2: Wednesday, 13 August 2025 - 9.30am start

| Subject       | Item              | Speaker/Witness  | Duration   |
|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------|
| Introduction  | Inspector         | Guy Davies       | 10 minutes |
| Landscape     | Evidence in chief | Clare Brockhurst | 1 hour     |
|               | Cross examination |                  | 2 hours    |
| Lunch         |                   |                  |            |
| Accessibility | Evidence in chief | Grace Blizzard   | 1 hour     |
|               | Cross examination |                  | 2 hours    |

#### DAY 3: Thursday, 14 August 2025 - 9.30am start

| Subject       | Item              | Speaker/Witness | Duration   |
|---------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------|
| Introduction  | Inspector         | Guy Davies      | 10 minutes |
| Accessibility | Evidence in chief | Stephen Jenkins | 1 hour     |
|               | Cross examination |                 | 2 hours    |
| Lunch         |                   |                 |            |
| Design        | Evidence in chief | Marcus Adams    | 30 minutes |
|               | Cross examination |                 | 1 hour     |
| Site Visit    |                   |                 |            |

**WEEK 2****DAY 4: Tuesday, 19 August 2025 - 9.30am start**

| <b>Subject</b>                                 | <b>Item</b>            | <b>Speaker</b>   | <b>Duration</b> |
|--|------------------------|--|-----------------|
| Introduction                                   | Inspector              | Guy Davies   | 20 minutes      |
| Ecology and aborigiculture                     | Round table discussion | Mark Croucher<br>Lesley Sproat<br>Emily Major<br>Jamie Pratt | 2 hours         |
| Lunch  |                        |  |                 |
| Infrastructure, legal agreement and conditions | Round table discussion | Mark Croucher<br>Stuart Slatter<br>Chris Holme               | 1.5 hours       |

**WEEK 3****DAY 5: Monday 22 September 2025 – 9.30am start**

| <b>Subject</b> | <b>Item</b>       | <b>Speaker</b>  | <b>Duration</b> |
|----------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Introduction   | Inspector         | Guy Davies      | 20 minutes      |
| Flood risk     | Evidence in chief | Joanna Marchant | 1 hour          |
|                | Cross examination |                 | 2 hours         |
| Lunch          |                   |                 |                 |
| Flood risk     | Evidence in chief | Ian Walton      | 1 hour          |
|                | Cross examination |                 | 2 hours         |

**DAY 6: Tuesday, 23 September 2025 – 9.30am start**

| <b>Subject</b> | <b>Item</b>       | <b>Speaker</b> | <b>Duration</b> |
|----------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Introduction   | Inspector         | Guy Davies     | 10 minutes      |
| Planning       | Evidence in chief | Mark Croucher  | 1 hour          |
|                | Cross examination |                | 2 hours         |
| Lunch          |                   |                |                 |
| Planning       | Evidence in chief | Stuart Slatter | 1 hour          |
|                | Cross examination |                | 2 hours         |

**Written Submissions**

| <b>Subject</b>      | <b>Item</b> | <b>Speaker</b> | <b>Date</b> |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| Closing submissions | Council     | Matthew Lewin  | TBA         |
|                     | Appellant   | John Litton    | TBA         |

## Notes

1. The programme is a guide. It may need to change depending on unforeseen circumstances and/or to make best use of time.
2. If there remains dispute on aspects of the flood modelling work, additional witnesses may need to be heard on Monday, 22 September 2025.
3. There will be a break for lunch of around an hour each day with short breaks mid-morning and mid- afternoon, flexing to suit the programme.
4. The hearing of any application(s) for costs will need to be accommodated in writing, should that be required.

*Guy Davies*

INSPECTOR

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