

## **CGR 18**

### **Parishes Affected**

Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor, Fyfield and Tubney

### **Matter to be considered**

Amending the boundary of the Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor parish to include land south of the A415 comprising Kingston Bagpuize sports ground and Kingston Business Park currently in Fyfield and Tubney parish; or amending the boundary of the parish to include all land south of the A415 currently in Fyfield and Tubney parish

### **Impact on district and county council boundaries**

Affects Kingston Bagpuize and Thames district wards

### **Summary of parish council responses**

Both parish councils support moving the sports ground and business park into Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor, but not moving the wider area. Fyfield and Tubney parish council argues that the larger change will bring no benefits to the affected properties. It also points out that the affected area is known as Fyfield Wick, illustrative of a longstanding relationship with Fyfield.

Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor parish council also objects to the larger change

### **Summary of other responses**

None

### **Recommendation**

Amend the boundary along the line of the A415 and move all land south of this line currently in Fyfield and Tubney parish into Kingston Bagpuize and Southmoor parish as shown on the attached map

### **Justification**

Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor parish council asked that we move the sports ground and business park into the parish. The working group can see obvious merit in this request as both form part of what people generally regard as Kingston Bagpuize village. However, the working group notes that this boundary change would leave a very small connection between the main part of Fyfield and Tubney parish and the area south of the A415 – a strip about

250 metres wide. In its opinion effective and convenient representation of local residents is the over-riding issue here and this is best served by moving all of the land and properties south of the A415 into Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor parish. Both village centres are a similar distance away from the affected properties but Fyfield village lies north of the A420 making it more difficult to access than Kingston Bagpuize