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Mission Statement – Kidlington Remembrance Day Parade Road Closure

The purpose of the road closure is to facilitate the safe and respectful holding of the Kidlington Remembrance Day Parade and Service on Sunday, 9 November 2025, while ensuring the safety of all participants, spectators, and members of the public. This event is an important occasion in the Parish calendar, providing the community with an opportunity to come together and pay tribute to those who have served and sacrificed in conflict.

Objectives:

The main objectives of the road closure are to:

- **Ensure public safety** during the parade and service by providing a controlled environment free from vehicle movement.
- **Maintain dignity and respect** for the event by minimising noise and disruption along the parade route.
- **Provide clear communication and access management** to residents, businesses, and emergency services.
- Support local community engagement by enabling a safe and inclusive event for all ages.

Details of Road Closures:

This closure will cover the route used for the parade as it proceeds from **St Mary's Church**, down **Church Road**, along the **High Street**, turning into **Sterling Approach**, and finishing at **Exeter Hall Car Park**.

• Soft Closures:

Soft Road closures will be placed at side roads, including Church Street, High Street, and connecting roads leading into Sterling Approach Road.

These will allow for temporary access once the parade has safely passed. Signs will indicate "Road Closed – Access After Parade". Marshals will oversee these areas to assist residents and ensure safety.

• Main Full Road Closure:

A complete closure will be in place from **Sterling Approach Road** to **Oxford Road** (main section).

Traffic will be stopped at key junctions, including:

- o The Sterling Approach junction with Oxford Road (before the traffic lights).
- The Oxford Road junction opposite the Dentist, preventing left turns and through traffic.
- The Oxford Road junction before the Exeter Close turning into the car park will stop cars coming down.
- Access into Exeter Close will be restricted while the parade is coming down the Oxford Road to turn into the Exeter Close Car Park.

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These points will be managed by trained marshals and professional road closure operatives authorised by Cherwell District Council (CDC) and Oxfordshire County Council Highways (OCC).

Traffic Management:

Traffic management will be carried out by a professional road closure company, supported by Parish Council marshals.

- Advance warning will be notified through KPC Website
- Diversion routes will be clearly marked to guide drivers around the closure area.
- Emergency vehicles will be granted access at all times if required.

Community & Safety Commitment:

This operation is being organised by Kidlington Parish Council in partnership with Cherwell District Council and Oxfordshire County Council Highways Department. The Parish Council is committed to ensuring the safety and success of this important community event while minimising disruption to residents and road users.

We appreciate the cooperation and understanding of all residents, businesses, and visitors during this time. Your support helps ensure that the Remembrance Parade can take place safely and with the dignity it deserves.