

Campaigners continue fight at Chaucer Fields inquiry



The picturesque southern slopes of the University of Kent - known as the Chaucer Fields

Supporters of the Chaucer Fields in Canterbury renew their "David versus Goliath" battle with the University of Kent at the reconvening of a public inquiry on Monday.

Campaigners are fighting to have the southern slopes of the campus designated as a village green in a bid to stop the university building student accommodation and a hotel on it.

A planning inspector has already heard witnesses from the Save Chaucer Field group and now representatives of the university are due to give their evidence when the public hearing continues at the Westgate Hall

at 10am. Save Chaucer Fields spokesperson Mike Blissett said: "We're up against a university with millions in assets who can afford to pay vastly more than we can.

"It's David versus Goliath. We've been raising funds in various ways including quiz nights and donations, but we still have a way to go."

Campaigners have also been raising money for the costs by using a crowdfunding website and posted a target of £6,000.

Donations can be made via www.justgiving.com/yimby/savechaucerfields#/ until tomorrow (Friday).



Chaucer Fields is a favourite with ramblers