

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting
Held on Tuesday 5th April 2005
At the Jack Argent Room, Community Centre,
Blackbird Leys Road

Present:

Parish Councillors: B Avery, C Martin, R Harris, C Pill, C Hatton, G Roper, R Humberstone, S Cole and B Lester (Parish Council Chair) along with H Shayler (Parish Council Clerk), L Cole (City Councillor), Becky Telford (Leys News), Ruth Keeling (Oxford Mail) and 2 local Residents, Local Police and Street wardens

Apologies for absence - none were received for this meeting

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 6th April 2004 were signed as a true record.
2. Report from the Blackbird Leys Parish Council: The Chair of the Parish Council Mr Brian Lester put forward a report that was read and minuted.
3. Statement of the Parish Council accounts for the year ending 31 March 2005. S Cole gave a report and passed copies of the income/expenditure for the past 12 months for the Parish Council - most expenses had remained the same except for an increase in rent due to the new office now being available along with the level of grants that had been issued. No questions were raised on the accounts.

4/5. Reports from City / County Councillors.

A report was received from Councillors which were read and submitted to be minuted.

6. Report from Local Police

The police thanked the Parish Council and local residents for their assistance during the past year allowing information to be gathered which has become a valuable source of intelligence. With the introduction of Street Wardens additional information is now coming forward and it is hoped that this will further increase police awareness on the estate.

7. Leys News Report

Becky Telford gave a report on the Leys News and its current market position. It is currently being well supported by residents - a few concerns were raised regarding the distribution of the paper as some areas of the estate were still not receiving their copy, it was pointed out that there are copies in the Library and other local places

B Lester thanked all those in attendance for coming to the meeting and invited any who wished to, to stay for the Parish Council meeting due to commence directly after the Annual Parish Meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.25pm