

BLACKBIRD LEYS PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 24th April 2023, at 7.00 pm held a Blackbird Leys Community Centre

- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Parish Councillors: Imade Edosomwan (Chairman), Peter Nowland (Vice - Chairman), Anthony Church, Ewa Gluza, Maggie Lewis, and David Newman.
- OTHER COUNCILLORS:** City Councillors: Rae Humberstone.
County Councillor: Imade Edosomwan.
- OFFICERS PRESENT:** Clerk to the Council: Emma Kearney
- OTHERS PRESENT:** **Oxford City Council Communities & Neighbourhoods:** None
Peabody Project Director: Alex Neate
Consultant: Neil Homer
Community Groups: Friendleys, The Leys Neighbourhood Watch and Oxford Polish Association.
Members of the Public: 7 members.
- APOLOGIES:** The following apologies were received:
Parish Councillors: Olamide Odelajo
City Council Councillors: Hosnieh Djafari-Marbini.
Oxford City Council Regeneration Manager: Karoline Soisalo de Mendonca
Peabody Community Investment Coordinator: Sam Stronach
- FC001/23** **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION**
None
- FC002/23** **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**
It was **RESOLVED** by unanimous vote to accept the minutes for the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 28th March 2023.
This was proposed by Cllr Church and seconded by Cllr Nowland.
- FC003/23** **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
Members of the public raised questions regarding the regeneration project. It was **NOTED** the parish council will include the key points in the response to the City Council's planning application and a letter will be sent to Peabody and the Regeneration Team with other points that were not included in the response.
It was further **NOTED** the parish council's response and letter will be posted on the parish council's website.
- FC004/23** **COMMUNITY GROUP REPORTS**
The community groups present gave their reports.
- FC005/23** **REGENERATION PROJECT**
An update from Peabody was received.
- FC006/23** **PLANNING CONSULTANT UPDATE**
There were discussions regarding the draft response to the Regeneration planning application, and additional points were included.
- FC007/23** **COUNTY, CITY and PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS**
The councillors present gave their reports, and a report was read out for the city councillor that sent apologies but provided an update.
- FC008/23** **COMMITTEES and WORKING GROUPS UPDATE**
1. Planning Committee
An update was received.

2. Events Committee

It was **NOTED** the Leys Fete was taking place on 1st May, and councillors were asked to volunteer at the event.

3. Strategic Aims Working Group

An update was received.

It was **NOTED** the next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday 16th May at 7 pm in the Community Centre.

FC009/23

CHAIRMANS MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** by unanimous vote to hold the Annual Meeting of the Electors (the Chairmans Meeting) on 30th May at 6pm 2023.

This was proposed by Cllr Taylor and seconded by Cllr Lewis.

FC010/23

NOMINATION

It was **RESOLVED** by unanimous vote to nominate Cllr Church on to the Executive Committee of the Oxford Association of Local Councils for the period of 2023-2027.

This was proposed by Cllr Taylor and seconded by Cllr Edosomwan.

FC011/23

It was **RESOLVED** by majority vote to extend the meeting by 15 minutes.

This was proposed by Cllr Edosomwan and seconded by Cllr Lewis.

FC012/23

FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. Income

The following income was noted.

21/04/2023	Precept	1st installment	£27,194.50
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2. Internal Financial Controller

Cllr Edosomwan confirmed the review of the invoices against the April cashbook were correct.

3. Purchases

It was **RESOLVED** by unanimous vote to purchase the items listed on the April 2023 cashbook.

This was proposed by Cllr Edosomwan and seconded by Cllr Nowland.

April 2023 Cashbook

Date	Payee	Description	Total
03/04/2023	Three Mobile	Mobile Contract	£22.64
11/04/2023	Unity Trust	Bank Account Fee	£3.00
25/04/2023	Oxfordshire Association of Local Council	Membership 2023-24	£2,175.88
25/04/2023	Oxford City Council	Hall Hire - March 2023	£43.20
25/04/2023	Zurich	Insurance Policy	£764.96
25/04/2023	John Dillon	Noticeboard reimbursement	£657.67
25/04/2023	Blackbird Leys Neighbourhood Watch Scheme (ASAC)	70% Grant Award	£1,750.00
25/04/2023	Blackbird Leys Adventure Playground	70% Grant Award	£1,750.00
25/04/2023	O'Neil Homer	Consultancy Fees	£3,600.00
25/04/2023	Keilee Sharkey	Mini Disco/ Pilates	£100.00
25/04/2023	Oxford Meadow School	Green Space Hire	£250.00

25/04/2023	Amazon	Dividers and ink	£15.77
25/04/2023	Andrew Spencer	DJ with PA system	£250.00
25/04/2023	Norbert Pietrasze	Photographer	£100.00
25/04/2023	Ian Pearman	Straw Bales	£175.00
25/04/2023	SYRIAN	TBA	£500.00
25/04/2023	Blackbird Leys Adventure Playground	Hall Hire	£200.00
25/04/2023	HMRC	Employee Contributions	PRIVATE
25/04/2023	Clerks	Salary April	PRIVATE
25/04/2023	Oxford County Council	Pension	PRIVATE
26/04/2023	Oxford County Council	Pension Anomaly	PRIVATE
		Total	£15,942.01

4. Cashbook

It was **RESOLVED** by unanimous vote to make the payments for the items listed on the April 2023 cashbook.

This was proposed by Cllr Edosomwan and seconded by Cllr Nowland.

FC013/23

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- Date to move to the Bowls Club

FC014/23

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETINGS

1. Leys Fete – Monday 1st May 2023 (Bank Holiday) from 11am – 4pm.
2. Extraordinary Meeting – Tuesday 2nd May 2023 @ 7 pm.
3. Planning Committee – Tuesday 9th May 2023 @ 7 pm.
4. Annual Meeting of the Electors (Chairmans Meeting) 30th May @ 6 pm.
5. Full Parish Council – Tuesday 30th May 2023 @ 7pm.

The meeting ended at 21.15.

SIGNED: _____ **Cllr Imade Edosomwan** (*Chairman*)