

22nd January 2026

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend a meeting of Blackbird Leys Parish Council on Tuesday 27th January 2026 at 7.00pm at The Leys Leisure Centre.

The press and public are welcome to attend.

Yours sincerely

Emma Kearney
Parish Clerk

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

To be received.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

To receive any Declarations of Interest.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To confirm as a true record the minutes of the full parish council meeting held on Tuesday 25th November 2025.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

5. PRIDE OF PLACE

1. To receive an update from an Oxford City Council representative.
2. To appoint a parish councillor representative and alternate as per the representative protocol.

6. REGENERATION UPDATE

To receive an update from Oxford City Council and Peabody.

7. COUNTY, CITY AND PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS

To receive a councillor report

8. COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP UPDATE

To receive an update on the following committees and working groups.

1. Planning Committee

To receive an update from the Planning Committee Vice Chair

2. Events Committee

To approve the following recommendations:

- i. To change Events Committee meeting schedule from second Monday to third Tuesday at 7.30pm
- ii. To approve risk assessments for hosting a community engagement event on 31st January 2026
- iii. To approve the second community engagement event on Saturday 21st February 2026, 10am-4pm in Greater Leys, with a budget of £1,500

3. Neighbourhood Working Group

To approve the following recommendations

- i. The Community Engagement Stall Proposal.
- ii. To approve the community survey to be used at the Community Engagement Events.
- iii. To change Neighbourhood Planning meeting start time from 7.30pm to 8.15pm.
- iv. The generic risk assessment template for Community Engagement Stall activities.

9. 700 BUS ROUTE

To consider writing to the County Council and bus company regarding removal of bus stops affecting elderly resident.

10. ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE

To consider the parish council's response to the nomination of the Kassam Stadium as an Asset of Community Value.

11. STANDARDS COMMITTEE

To consider nominating a parish councillor to serve as the parish council representative on Oxford City Council's Standards Committee.

12. DRAFT BUDGET

To review and approve the budget for 2026-27.

13. PRECEPT REQUEST

To review and approve the precept request for 2026-27.

14. GRANT REQUESTS

To consider the following grant applications:

1. Assisted Reading for Children (ARCh)

To consider awarding a grant of £500 to ARCh towards volunteer training and books, games and resources for their work in Blackbird Leys primary schools.

2. Agnes Smith Advice Centre

To consider awarding a grant of £500 to Agnes Smith Advice Centre towards the cost of their annual intruder alarm and fire alarm system fees.

3. Oxford Play Association

To consider awarding a grant of £500 to Oxfordshire Play Association (OPA) towards a free community Playday event on Tuesday 21st July 2026 at Frys Hill Park.

15. FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. Income

To note

2. Finance Report

To note

3. Pension Increase and Back Pay

To note payment

4. Student Loan

To note payment

5. Training

To note and approve two training courses booked for January/February 2026

1. Data Protection Part 1 - Clerk - 26th January 2026 - £35 + vat

2. Social Media Skills - Cllr Webb - 2nd February 2026 - £35 + vat

6. Payment made under delegated authority

To note

7. Internal Financial Auditor

To confirm that the cashbook payments for January are true and accurate records.

8. Cashbook Payments

To approve and pay.