



Account of Purley on Thames

Chronicles 1995-1999

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Long Lane School had its first OFSTED inspection in December.

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The report by inspector Michael Pipes on Long Lane School was published on 30th January.

At the General election on 1st May Purley got its first ever Labour MP when Martin Salter was elected with votes. His opponents Nicholas Bennet (Con) polled votes and

On the same day there was an election for the new Newbury District Council, to become a unitary authority. Purley had two councillors and John Chapman (con) votes and Margaret French (Con) votes were elected. The defeated candidates were:-

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17th August: Reading Mainline Buses began a new service "D" which ran from Purley Post Office to the Royal Berks Hospital. It ran via Oxford Road, Knowsley Road, Long Lane, Dark Lane, Pierces Hill, Westwood Rd, Tilehurst Triangle, Corwen Road, The Meadway, Tilehurst Road, Russell St, Oxford Rd, West St, Friar St, Market Place, Kings Road, Erleigh Road and Addington Rd.

September: Purley lost its community policeman when Mike Welford moved on to other duties in September after raising a considerable sum of money by a sponsored bike ride from Lands End to John O'Groats.

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