The following questionnaire was distributed at recent meetings. A loose copy is enclosed. If you haven't replied yet, please do so now.

## Banbury Historical Society Our members matter: please let us know what you think

Would you like more talks?

Do you prefer talks to be more academic/less academic?

Do you like talks on local history/general history/archaeology/ domestic/ social history/landscape history/other (please specify)

Do you have any suggestions for future summer excursions?

Can you suggest any other activities for the Society?

Would you be willing to join the committee to direct the future of the Society and to help run it? (If yes, please give your name below)

Do you like your thrice-yearly Cake & Cockhorse?

What would you like more of?

What would you like less of?

Have you any suggestions for publicising the society's lectures and other activities?

In order to keep members informed we would like to set up an email list: please give your email address

Please return to:

Deborah Hayter, Walnut House, Charlton, Banbury, OX17 3DR or email your comments to : deborahhayter@hotmail.com

## **BANBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

## ANNUAL REPORT

Your Committee have pleasure in submitting the 50th Annual Report and Statement of Accounts, for the year 2007.

Our half-century year has been gratifying and memorable. For the specific celebration of this anniversary, over sixty members were able to enjoy a day in the magnificent surroundings of Wroxton Abbey, with two outstanding talks and catering and weather to match. After a not unusual gap of several years, we were able to produce not one but *two* records publications, that of *Banbury Past through Artists' Eyes* again being particularly to mark our thirty volumes in fifty years – we doubt whether any other English local history society can equal this achievement. We were able to publicise this in articles in two prestigious national publications, *The Local Historian* and *The Genealogists' Magazine*.