

**Learn more about Laura and Gordon**  
More information about what Laura and Gordon on the back page.

**County Councillor Andrew Gravells supports Laura and Gordon** for more information see overleaf.

## New Play equipment to be installed at Mead Road play park

Your local conservative councillors, Laura Pearsall and Gordon Taylor, have spent some of their members allocation fund on new play equipment for the park in Mead Road. This will be installed soon when the city council next make an order for play equipment. Each councillor is awarded £1,000 per year to spend in their community. If we return a Conservative council next year we this will be increased to £2,000 per councillor in order to support and benefit the community they represent.

## Improved recycling service coming to Abbeymead

Conservative controlled Gloucester City Council has improved its recycling figures from 6% to over 40% since taking over control and they are keen to improve this even further. To aid this they are working with their contractor, Amey, to introduce a new fleet of refuse collection vehicles from the start of 2017, which will include the facility to collect corrugated cardboard and textiles from the doorstep. There will also be necessary further investment in the green bin collection vehicles, though this is funded from the charges made for those bins. This will help improve overall recycling figures to move towards the target of 50% by 2020.

## Your Choice at the election

Before Conservatives started running the Council in 2004, the City was under Labour control for many years, either on its own or in coalition with the Liberal Democrats. It's easy to forget the chaos that existed at the time, but judge whether you prefer our record or theirs.

Conservative Control	Liberal Democrat and Labour Control
Average 1.8% a year council tax rise. Council tax frozen for the last 5 years.	Average 10% a year council tax rise.
Recycling rates 40% and due to rise further	Recycling rates in single figures.
Over £700 million of investment in regeneration at St Oswalds Park, the Docks, Gloucester Quays, the Railway Triangle etc.	Failed regeneration at Blackfriars. Sold Westgate car park for £1 and spent £1 million getting it back.
£10 million of savings delivered over last 6 years.	Ran up £10 million of debt with nothing to show for it.
Three star housing service, £40 million of improvements to the housing stock and transfer to Gloucester City Homes completed.	Zero star housing service, council housing stock in serious disrepair.

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## The Abbeymead Team



I have always lived in Gloucester and have grown up in Abbeymead and Abbeydale. After leaving Ribston Hall High School, I became Apprentice to our local MP, Richard Graham, where I worked for two and a half years. After I completed my Apprenticeship with Richard, I gained a full time job with a local training provider, where I worked for two and a half years supporting young people into work. I now work full time as a Campaign Manager.

My time working for Richard Graham MP was very rewarding as I was able to help a large number of residents with a variety of cases. This experience prepared me for what was expected of me when I was elected to Gloucester City Council, as the youngest ever Councillor at the age of 21, in May last year. It has been an honour and privilege to

represent the Abbey ward at the City Council.

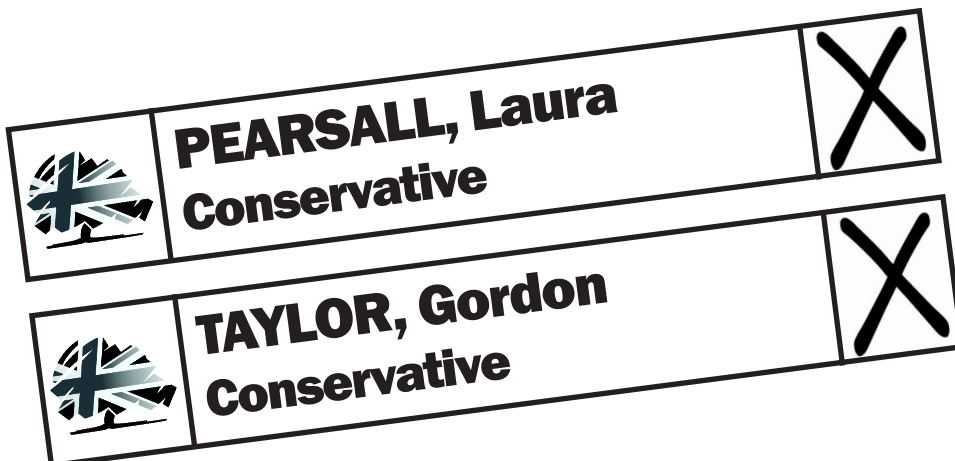
I have enjoyed being able to help a number of residents with a wide variety of issues that matter to them personally, as well as issues that matter to the ward, from replacing street signs through to benefits, housing & environment issues. I hope to be re-elected to allow me to continue doing so and ensure Abbeymead remains a great place to live!

Gordon was born and educated in Nottinghamshire, where he studied at Nottingham Trent and Nottingham University respectively. He moved to Gloucester in 2004 and has been a councillor for 8 years. He currently chairs the planning committee and has helped steer through many of the recent regeneration projects in Gloucester. Gordon said, "The regeneration in Gloucester over the last decade is something the Conservative administration can be proud of and we have lots more we want to do. I enjoy living here in Gloucester and want to help the city to continue to improve. To make a difference in your local community you have to get involved and contribute."



Andrew Gravells County councillor for Abbey says "I've worked with Laura and Gordon for many years and they are hard working local Abbey councillors who care passionately about the area. Also It's important that your city and county councillors have a good working relationship to ensure things get done."

## You have 2 votes



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