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 Conservatives

TREE PLANTING TO CELEBRATE THE QUEEN'S COMMONWEALTH CANOPY

■ Your local Councillors, Laura Brooker and Gordon Taylor, joined Gloucester MP, Richard Graham, to plant 4 British trees in Barnwood Arboretum as part of the Queen's Commonwealth Canopy. The forest conservation initiative is to mark the Queen's lifetime of service to the Commonwealth.

Guided by the Friends of Barnwood Arboretum, and with the help of Barnwood Primary School, they planted native silver birch, rowan and hazel trees.

Cllr Gordon Taylor said, "It's been great to be involved with the project

that stretches across the Commonwealth to honour the Queen. I'm pleased Richard involved us and the students of Barnwood Primary School, who will continue to enjoy the trees they helped to plant."

Gloucester's MP said, "I love trees and am delighted with the Councillors' and children's enthusiasm for joining me and getting stuck in to plant the new trees. Let's hope they give joy for decades to come."

For more information about the Queen's Commonwealth Canopy visit: <https://queens-commonwealthcanopy.org>



Cllrs Laura Brooker and Gordon Taylor planting one of the trees

News from Abbeymead Conservatives

ABBEYMEAD AVENUE/METZ WAY ROAD WORKS

■ Following several complaints from residents regarding these works, Andrew and Laura recently met with the contactors and the Highways Project Managers. They visited the eight work sites that make up the project to discuss the issues and raise the complaints they had received.

There have been delays caused by various complex issues, such as

finding an additional badger sett, and the need to follow the legal process to ensure that the badgers are safely cleared.

The contractors have apologised that the scheme has overrun, but thanked residents for their patience and understanding during the process of these important works.

The works have required traffic

management at several junctions in order to improve junction capacity, improve access for cyclists and pedestrians and improve crossing facilities, whilst keeping the network open for all users, and the workers safe. The contractors have made assurances that the work is nearing conclusion.

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ABBEYMEAD ROVERS WALKING FOOTBALL SECURE SPONSORSHIP

■ The Walking Football section of Abbeymead Rovers have secured sponsorship from Kirby & Knott Financial Planning Ltd.

Abbeymead Rovers Chairman, Stuart Langworthy said, "We are thrilled to receive this sponsorship - we have bought tracksuit tops for all our players that play in competitions. Walking football is certainly changing lives and has become a huge part of the community of Abbeymead Rovers - it is all about fun friendship and fitness. We have been very successful on the pitch - punching well above our weight in national competitions."

Directors of Kirby & Knott Financial Planning, Alex and Rich said, "We are delighted to

sponsor such an amazing local club. Our business focuses on creating financial wellbeing to individuals and businesses, and this was a perfect opportunity to support a club that has a similar ethos. Having watched the teams in action, it's great to see the social spirit that the club has developed."

They will be extending their sponsorship to the wider club by supporting Abbeymead Rovers Annual Football Tournament and Festival, as well as their annual presentation day.

Cllr Laura Brooker said, "It's great to see a local business supporting our local team to help create opportunities for so many residents."



Alex Kirby and Richard Knott presenting some of the Abbeymead Rovers team with their new kits

COACH TRIP TO LONDON

Abbey Conservatives are organising a day trip to London on **15th July**, to include an optional tour of the Houses of Parliament. In addition, you will have the chance to meet with our own Member of Parliament, Richard Graham, as well as time to spend at your leisure, visiting the nearby Westminster Abbey or shopping in London.

This may be one of the last opportunities to visit the House of Commons and House of Lords, as the palace is expected to close for refurbishment soon.

Coach tickets cost £25.00. For more information or to book tickets, please contact Laura on 07508 294182 or by email at laura_brooker@outlook.com ASAP to ensure you secure a place!

ABBEYMEAD NEWS

ABBEYDALE "CHATTERCOFFEE" CLUB

■ Come and join the new "ChatterCoffee" club in the Lindsey Room at the Abbeydale Community Centre and meet friends on alternate Tuesdays from 10am-12pm. For more information, contact Collette on 07703 839 856.

COMMUNITY FUND SECURED FOR ABBEYDALE ROVERS

■ Laura and Gordon contributed their Community Fund for this year to help fund groundworks to be carried out by Abbeymead Rovers in between the two fields where the Football Club play. The works carried out were to improve accessibility.

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