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COLLETTE FINNEGAN AND ANDREW GRAVELLS WRITE TO YOU

Collette and Andrew are the two City Councillors for Abbeydale. Here they write to everyone in our area.

■ We are both fortunate to have the privilege of representing Abbeydale on Gloucester City Council. Our area returns two Councillors at each City Council election, and in the last set of Elections we were both successful in being elected. This is a great part of Gloucester and we both know it very well indeed. If you've just moved into our area, you're very welcome, and we hope you're settling in well. Whether you've lived here for years or just weeks, we're always ready to help where we can. Please email us or call. Our contact details are in

this Abbey Views letter. We've been working together on several local issues, including Road Safety around Heron Primary School. Our work there has helped to secure a new Crossing Patrol person there, and quite recently we heard that our talks with Gloucestershire County Council had paid off. A new Pedestrian Crossing will go in close to the school and its precise location will be agreed with the school, Police, and local people and parents.

Andrew and Collette



Collette and Andrew congratulate Neil, who's running The Ridge, as we approach the first anniversary of its reopening.

News from Abbey Conservatives

WELL DONE SHERIFF COLLETTE

■ Congratulations are in order for Councillor Collette Finnegan, recently elected as the new Sheriff of Gloucester City and Deputy Mayor for the coming year. Apart from a hectic schedule of attending Civic functions and other public events, a great deal of her time will be spent on fundraising. In particular, Collette is keen to support Gloucestershire Young Carers, a charity devoted to providing support to those vulnerable children and young people who have to look after their parents in need.



HOW WE KEEP IN TOUCH WITH YOU

■ The way we communicate with our local residents is very important to us. Firstly, the easiest and quickest way to contact either Andrew or Collette is by email. Our addresses are in this Abbey Views newsletter. We appreciate that emails are not for everyone. So we supply our phone numbers. It's always very disappointing when people forget to leave their phone number when they leave a message on our answer machines, as that means we can't get back to them. Or if they rattle off too quickly! Please leave your number as clearly as you can. We do want to hear from you. That's one of the reasons we become local councillors in the first place. Thank you.

HELP FOR THE POLICE CUBS

■ Having already purchased a traffic speed gun, Collette has now presented a cheque for £250 to PCSOs Christine White and Mike Edwards to support their great work in Heron Primary School with the thriving Police Cubs initiative. The children involved and their parents are very appreciative of the PCSO's

enthusiasm in organising activities for the Cubs who learn about a range of things such as road safety, police dog handling, vulnerable people etc. The Cubs recently went to Waterwells Police HQ and met Gloucestershire Chief of Police Mr Rod Hansen who was full of praise for them



ANDREW RAISES FUNDS FOR THE ONCOLOGY DEPT AT CHELTENHAM

Following his treatment for cancer ,and to show his appreciation for that to the Oncology Department at Cheltenham General Hospital,

Andrew has done some fundraising for them . Collections at Gloucester's three mosques, organised by his Barton and Tredworth Councillor colleague Saj Patel after Friday prayers raised over £1,000, and he was recently presented with a cheque for £500 from Gloucestershire County Council Cabinet Member Lynden Stowe and his family Printing company Vale Press. The photo shows l to r, Julie McNally, Senior Sister, Andrew, Councillor Lynden Stowe , and Dr Sam Guglani, Consultant Clinical Oncologist.



Andrew receives cheque for £500

News **SNIPPETS** from **ABBEYDALE**

999 PARTY

■ As the newly elected Sheriff of Gloucester, Councillor Collette is busy fundraising for charity. On Saturday, 20th September, Collette is arranging a '999 Party' to celebrate uniformed services at Hatherley Manor. The event will be open to everyone and include live music, disco, food and licensed bar. It will be in aid of Gloucestershire Young Carers. Tickets will be on sale soon. For more information please call Collette on 07850 195155.

ENVIRONMENT AGENCY WORK

■ The Environment Agency are doing some work a our area on the watercourse. The idea is to make the water flow more freely and also to make them more attractive and a haven for wildlife. The link below takes you to a dedicated Environment Agency website and gives more information on their work in our area. It's pretty interesting work:

<https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/west-midlands/gloucester-rivers-improvement>

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