



Gaynor Spry and Angela Patterson. Photo by Sheila Armstrong

## Of mothers and men

By Sheila Armstrong

**They say a girl's best friend is her mother and this is surely the case for Gaynor Spry, owner of East Finchley's vintage clothes shop Lazooli. Angela Patterson, Gaynor's mother, often works in the shop and shares her daughter's passion for stylish vintage clothes.**

A successful Mothers and Daughters evening was held in the shop on Thursday 15 March. It was a chance for local fashionistas of all ages to browse through the vintage clothes and find a new spring outfit while quaffing a

glass of Champagne.

### Lazooli blue

The shop, always colourful and elegant, was looking absolutely fabulous that evening. It is decorated in shades of what must now be called Lazooli blue, not quite lapis. Clothes are colour organised with a special rail for a wonderful selection of evening dresses, naturally all in immaculate condition.

Designer labels are to be found as well as others and prices are reasonable. Shoes, scarves, belts, jewellery and porcelain are also on sale. If not vintage then the items for sale go with that vintage feel.

Lazooli has a Male Rail, clothes for men selected by Andy Nice: a hand-picked selection of tweed jackets, unworn vintage jeans and leathers. The clothes have been well received by the more suave males in the locality, *THE ARCHER* was told.

## CCTV switch-on for East Finchley

By John Dearing

**In an event to mark East Finchley's CCTV cameras going live and the launch of Barnet Council's new Community Protection Group, Councillors Brian Coleman (Cabinet Member for Community Engagement & Community Safety) and Andreas Tambourides (representing the Mayor of Barnet, Councillor Eva Greenspan) cut the tape around one of the CCTV poles on the High Road, opposite East Finchley Tube Station.**

Also present were Cllr Mike Freer, Leader of the Council, Cllr Joanna Tambourides, East Finchley councillors Alison Moore and Andrew McNeill, Jeff Lustig, Director Corporate Governance, John Brealey LBBC CCTV Manager, and Gary Davies, Community Protection Group Manager.

After cutting the tape with Cllr Tambourides, Cllr Coleman spoke about the new Community Protection Group, which brings together the teams involved with licensing, trading standards, fly tipping, street enforcement, graffiti and community safety officers, allowing more effective sharing of information between officers and providing a dynamic and rapid response to anti-social behaviour in partnership with the police.

### On duty 24/7

The new cameras, funded by Barnet Council, will be monitored 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, by a team of fully trained council staff, and add to the 104 cameras already monitoring the streets and parks of the borough.

Cllr Coleman said: "This exciting and pioneering move will have a significant impact on crime in the borough and shows that Barnet is prepared to take bold and inventive decisions to tackle anti-social behaviour effectively.

"In addition, the roll-out of



Councillor Andreas Tambourides cuts the tape to open East Finchley's CCTV system, watched by Councillors Brian Coleman, Alison Moore, Mike Freer and Joanna Tambourides. Picture by Toni Morgan.

another batch of CCTV cameras will send out a clear message to those engaged in anti-social behaviour and street crime. If you break the law in Barnet you will be caught on camera. CCTV in East Finchley is a tool to provide reassurance for local residents that they can go about their everyday business in safety."

Councillor Alison Moore said that CCTV for East Finchley had been scheduled four years ago and might have stopped much crime in the intervening period. She praised the role of the Safer Neighbourhood Team, who had worked hard with the council to get the cameras into the best positions, particularly in Church Lane.

## The Finchley Society and The Bothy

**The Finchley Society has clarified its position regarding the dispute between the Avenue House Estate Trust and the Finchley Arts Centre Trust:-**

"Our Trustees view with the greatest regret the dispute between AHET and FACT, which has led to FACT being evicted from the Bothy, which stands in the grounds of the

Estate. However, they agree that the Society has no role to play; it has members on both sides, and will do nothing to support one side or the other".

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