## My Sewing Basket, Ashton Square

## Successfully into the unknown!

The word 'haberdashery' conjures up a wealth of useful bits and pieces. My Sewing Basket has been trading as a family business since February 2011, first in Queensway, then relocating in 2017 to Ashton Square.

Donna and Dave previously worked in completely different jobs, Dave driving and Donna in hospitality.

'With a young family we decided that working for ourselves would offer more flexibility around family life. With help, input and stock from Dave's brother, owning a fabric shop, we took the first, unknown steps, into the world of haberdashery and fabric.

'We support local causes with donations of yarn, needles, discounts etc. We are always happy to recommend local business people for classes and contacts.

'Over the years we have increased our range to include more crafting supplies including Diamond Dotz and felting, looking always to introduce the latest ranges.

'During the current pandemic we have, like so many small businesses, had to diversify to survive offering a delivery service to those who want to continue crafting and those who want to begin. We continue to offer this service and at present do less shop hours to accommodate it.

'Daughter Ayden (now 12) is in the shop on Saturdays and during the school holidays and has been since she was 3 years old!

'We sell sewing machines (servicing and repairing them), crafting cotton, dress fabric, haberdashery, sewing and knitting patterns, wool and much, much more.'

Here is an Aladdin's cave of variety for all those crafting and repairing needs.