

An Ambassador's journey – Patricia Stevens

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I'll be there!



*Patricia Stevens
and the bridges
over the Tyne.*

Before the lobby, Patricia Stevens from Newcastle upon Tyne North told us about why she was excited.

'I'm so excited to be coming to the Westminster lobby because persuading our MPs to support Cancer Research UK campaigns could make such a difference and getting them on side is as important as raising money. It's another way in which 'together we will beat cancer.'

Did the day live up to her expectations and did she get her MP on side?

'At the Lobby I met my MP Catherine McKinnell for the first time... the interest, commitment and knowledge she showed that day really impressed me. She agreed to write to Andrew Lansley MP about the 'Diagnose and accurately

record' request and we agreed that making sure cancer treatment is not affected by government cuts is vital.

Then (thanks to a sympathetic security guard who spotted our Ambassador sashes) we visited the public galleries of the Lords and Commons, a fantastic experience. I have since received a copy of her request to Andrew Lansley.

Altogether it was a fantastic day. Seeing so many supportive people brought home to me once again how Cancer Research UK really are putting their 'Together we will beat cancer' statement into practice.'

*Since the lobby,
Patricia attended a supporter lab tour at our
Newcastle research centre, taking the initiative to ask
us for promotional materials to hand out to people she
met who might be good Ambassadors.
Fantastic work!*



Left to right; Emilie Rovillain, Catherine McKinnell MP, Patricia Stevens.