ADD TOP STITCHING

Step 29: Bodice Topstitch

- Click onto the centre of the left shoulder with the Direct Selection Tool (A)
- As you can see in the illustration, all the anchor points are inactive and only the ‘path’ (line) between the ‘anchor points’ will be deleted when you press ‘delete’ ONCE only.
- Press delete, deselect and repeat this for the right shoulder and sides of the bodice.
- What is left is a line for the neckline stitching, the armhole stitching and the waist stitching, still with a fill and stroke ( ).
- Select these with the Group Selection Tool, click onto each and hold down Shift to pick up all the stitch lines at the same time.
- Click onto the Eyedropper (I) and ‘eyedrop’ the sleeve hem stitch line.
- This will copy all the qualities of that line: ‘No fill, 0.75 pt, Round Cap etc...’ (ref step 25).
- Select the waistband stitching onto the waistband, copy it and adjust the length of the line to fit the panel.

Step 30: Skirt Hem

- Select the skirt only with the Group Selection Tool and press the Alt key at the same time to copy the skirt.
- Drag the copied skirt clear of the dress.
- Marquee over the top anchor points with the Direct Selection Tool (A).
- Delete the selection. Only press the Delete key ONCE or you will delete the whole skirt.
- Select the hem with the Group Selection Tool, click onto the Eyedropper (I) and copy the properties of the bodice dashed line.
- Move the stitch line back onto the skirt with the Group Selection Tool.