

MAYOR'S DIARY **17 - 23 AUGUST**

Tuesday 18 August

- Exchange of e-mails concerning preparation for possible events around the run-up to Christmas. Initial suggestions for on-line activities and business involvement. Meeting to take place in the near future with Officers.

Wednesday 19 August

- Dream Doors family business article in the Gazette alongside Annette Clyne's article about the Town market and 'Ashton Square Day' on August 29th – live music, entertainers and a free 'Dunstable Through the Ages Trail' to follow

Preparation for future Gazette articles

- E-mails sent and received re flooding in High Street South with some business owners and Central Bedfordshire Council. Seeking clarity on the start of work in the High Street, especially the installation of the attenuation tank in High Street South
- Drafted words to say at the two openings in the Quadrant tomorrow. Arranged for a photo outside another business premises for a future family business contribution to the Gazette

Thursday 20 August

- A welcome sunny, warm day after recent days of rain
- 10.00 Opened Kazmick's Hot Rock restaurant at 1 Broadwalk (Quadrant), moved from 11 Queensway. Welcomed by Karen and Michael Graham and family and staff.
- Pleased to meet the Quadrant Manager, Diane Quick
- 10.45 Opened Sundon Model Shop at the Vernon Place end of the Quadrant, moved from Luton. Welcomed by Neil and Carol Graham. Also at the shop, the Chairman of the Bedfordshire Electric Radio Controlled club, Sean Baker, and members who have been involved in helping set up the shop
- Thanks to Deakin White staff for taking photos
- 11.00 Photo outside R&R Hair Services and Rejuvenation Therapy for future article. Talked about the flooding in this part of High Street South, consequently, wrote further to CBC about the problem
- Wrote article about the morning for the Gazette, taking the opportunity to stress the need to have more Dunstable news in our local paper!
- Request from the Gazette to write about the Certificate of Appreciation received in July (noted July 24th in my Diary for that week) from the Lord Lieutenant and the High Sheriff recognising the way the Council, volunteers and others had responded to the challenges of the Coronavirus pandemic

Friday 21 August

- Zoom meeting with fellow trustees on Bedford based charity with which I am involved
- Drafted the article for the Gazette about the Certificate of Appreciation, with the help of James Slack, Head of Community Services and Jack Adams-Rimmer, Senior Neighbourhood Development Officer
- Further communications with CBC about the flooding in High Street South

Saturday 22 August

- Copy of above article to the Gazette forwarded to the Lord Lieutenant and High Sheriff