

## **Mayor's Update for Council - June 2024**

### **Copperfield Court Care Home - May 16th**

Carole and I attended the opening of this new care home in Northwood Road. It's a state of the art, H shaped 66 bed home. It's eco friendly, with no gas supply, solar panels and under soil heating. The gardens are lovely. I've put them in touch with Barbara at Tasty Planters. They are keen to get involved in the community and engage with us on our dementia friendly community programme.

### **Margate Mayor Making - May 20th**

Carole and I attended the Mayor Making at Margate Baptist Church where Cllr Jack Packman became the new Mayor and Cllr Katie Pope became the Deputy Mayor.

### **Opening of Refill Shop Wellesley Haddon Dene School - May 24th**

Year 5 have opened a refill shop for parents, staff and pupils which will be open every other Friday shampoo, hand wash e.t.c. The pupils have agreed specific roles including ordering stock, advertising the shop within the school and selling in the shop itself. Profits will be spent on environmental projects around the school. First day they took £250.

### **D-Day Commemoration at Maurice House - June 6th morning**

We joined a moving commemoration service at 11am attended by a number of residents and veterans from around Thanet. As part of our visit we had a tour around the Dementia wing and talked to some of the staff and residents there. I think we should certainly be including them in our discussions to make the Town a more dementia friendly place to live.

### **D-Day Commemoration at the Bandstand - June 6th evening**

A well attended event (a few hundred people). Good entertainment from the Thanet Concert Band. members of the 14th Scout and Cub troupe read the international tribute before the beacon was lit on the beach, Thanks to Leanne and the rest of the team for organising it.

### **RHS Assessment - June 12th**

I accompanied the RHS assessor on a tour of the Town team gardens for their in your neighbourhood assessment. Cllrs Bright and Bayford also attended and I'm sure we all agree that the hard work the volunteers put in really pays off as the gardens go from strength to strength.

### **QEQM League of Friends AGM - June 13th**

I attended the AGM and met a number of the volunteers who do a lot of great fundraising for the hospital. Among the items bought this year were a couple of recliner chair / beds for the children's ward for parents to use.

### **Dickens Festival - June 15th / 16th**

I attended the Saturday morning at Pierremont Hall to present a certificate of appreciation to Louise Woodcock for all the work she does to make a number of the

town's events a success. I particularly thanked her for helping make sure our coronation celebrations last year were a success and for putting her needlework skills to good use to make new mayoral ribbons.

Kind regards  
Cllr Mike Garner  
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