

## **TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT – 6 August 24**

### **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Stone 10K Road Race**

I started the Stone 10k race from Priory Road. There were over 500 runners taking part both from running clubs and individuals. The race finished in the grounds of St. Michael's School. Talking to a great number of the runners afterwards they all said what well organised race it was and one which they look forward to taking part in.

### **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July – Stone Rocks at Christchurch Academy**

An interesting display of the musical talent which exists at the school. A very enjoyable afternoon.

### **14<sup>th</sup> July – Civic Sunday**

It was nice to see that the parade was well attended and led by the fabulous Stone Scout & Guide Band. They really are great ambassadors for Stone. The Rev Jim Cartlidge and Lay Reader Dennis Abbotts conducted a wonderful service, Thanks to everyone who supported the event and to Les, Trudy, Rachel and Paul for all their hard work.

### **18<sup>th</sup> July – Mayor of Stafford's Afternoon Tea**

A well-attended event at Stafford Rugby Club. Unfortunately, the person who was due to provide musical entertainment was ill and so the Mayor gave a talk entitled "The Life of Frank," which was very amusing.

### **21<sup>st</sup> July – Staffordshire hire Moorlands Civic Service**

Held at the church of St. Giles The Abbott at Cheadle. A lovely service and wonderful singing from a local choir. Nice to meet some other civic heads from Derbyshire and South Cheshire.

### **25<sup>th</sup> July – Portuguese Evening at the Mill**

I held a fund raising evening at the Mill to raise funds for my charity appeal. Guests were given a glass of Pimm's on arrival and served a choice of paella and one of the famous Portuguese custard tarts. During the course of the evening guests were told about the Stone Community First Responders, which are the main recipients of my charity appeal. It was good to learn that they have managed to increase the number of trained volunteers from 3 to 11. The event was extremely popular and we finished up having a waiting list.

### **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July – Allotment Judging**

I accompanied David Moreton on the judging of the allotments in Newcastle Road and Mount Road. I was very impressed with the standard of the allotments and the variety of produce grown.

### **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July – Classic Car Show**

A wonderful variety of classic cars and it was nice to see the High Street so busy. It looked as though a number of shops benefitted from the extra trade. Thanks to the organisers and the volunteers who acted as marshals.

## **DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT – 6 August 24**

### **Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> July – Christ Church Awards**

On Wednesday, the 10th of July I was invited to the Christ Church Awards Ceremony at the Church. The event was very well attended with students, staff, governors and parents. Many awards were presented to the students for their hard work, and it was great to see recognition to encourage them on their journey. We were all treated to several musical performances by the award recipients, demonstrating firsthand the great efforts and talents of students. I was privileged to present several of the students with medals and awards for outstanding effort, and it was wonderful to see proud students, staff and parents alike.