

## **Buckingham Society Buckingham Trader of the Year 2019**

Once again Buckingham's favourite local trader was chosen in 2019. A judging panel comprised of Buckingham's Mayor, Councillor Mark Cole; Professor Susan Edwards from the University of Buckingham and two members of the Buckingham Society, deliberated long and hard and were unable to split two excellent candidates for the title. So, in 2019, for the first time, there were joint winners. These were Pasha, the ladies dress and accessories shop in Bridge Street and the Courtyard at No 6 which sells an eclectic mix of furniture home accessories, gifts and vintage finds from its premises which is right next door to Pasha.

The judges thought that the two shops, sitting as they do on the main road into Buckingham, present a really positive image to visitors to our town.

The awards were presented by Councillor Cole, at the ceremony to switch on Buckingham's Christmas lights.

The Society started the awards four years ago to try to help draw Buckingham people's attention to their town centre. The Society believes that Buckingham should feel proud that, in these difficult times for High Streets up and down the land, Buckingham still has so many brilliant people willing to set up shop and provide the goods and services that we need. The town centre is the heart and soul of Buckingham and, without these people, Buckingham would not be the great town that it is. They all deserve our support.