

# Good luck, you poor fool

CONGRATULATIONS to Mervyn Metcalf, the consumer and leisure banker who worked at Merrill Lynch and, more recently, Global Leisure Partners.

He is setting up a boutique bank with Graeme Atkinson that will be called Dean Street Advisers and is based in — you guessed it — Dean Street in Soho. It is also where Metcalf, 40, lives in a flat stuffed with modern art.

Sadly, not everyone was wowed by the news. One friend wrote to Metcalf: “Good luck ... I can hardly imagine a worse time to be starting.” There’s nothing like a few encouraging words. ■

