

**COUNTY COUNCIL – 17TH JULY 2018
CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

PEOPLE

Director of Business

Amanda Askham has been appointed as the Council's new Director of Business Improvement and Development. She will add capacity and strategic oversight to help drive forward the Council's commercial and transformation agendas, making the Council stronger moving forward. In spite of tough competition from a range of external applicants from both the public and private sectors, the Member led interview process found that Amanda's knowledge, experience and strategic thinking really shone through. Amanda will take up her new duties with immediate effect.

SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS

Adults Early Help Team

The Carers Trust shortlisted the Adults Early Help Team for the Carer Friendly Social Care Award. This award is for a Social Care Team, care manager, youth worker or individual who has demonstrated the most carer friendly approach in their working role and who has made a difference by going the extra mile. The team were unaware that they had been nominated. Quote from Stuart Brown, Adult Early Help Team Manager, "It is good recognition for the team who do good work with carers. As always, I feel we can do more but it is something to be proud of".

"Cambridgeshire County Council's Adult Early Help Team works in a preventative way. They see the importance of supporting family carers to focus on their own wellbeing and quality of time they have with the people they care for. They offer support to enable independence and create sustainable long term solutions reducing the need for social care. This gives carers a broader, more comprehensive service and added value. They are on the front line and are excellent at identifying carers early and referring them on for support."

Results were announced at a ceremony in Peterborough on Wednesday 13 June during national Carers Week, 11 – 17 June; the Adult Early Help Team were runners up.

Members of the team overleaf attended to receive their award.

