Chief Executive's Announcements

The announcements from the Chief Executive will include the following:

- The council has extended the roll out of its continuous performance improvement programme, CPiP.
- A LGA Peer review took place in November 2017, looking at the culture of improvement in children's wellbeing services.
- In early February 2018 a LGA Corporate Peer Challenge will take place.
- As regional lead chief executive for improvement in children's services, I met last week with the newly appointed Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Nadhim Zahawi MP.
- Herefordshire continues to be part of the best performing court systems in terms of care proceedings.
- The county received special praise from the minister of state for education, for the improved phonics performance of Herefordshire children.
- The council is progressing the 16-19 SEN Special Free School.
- We have scheduled a peer review for children's safeguarding at the end of February 2018.
- In recent months, the adult social work teams have put in a huge effort to deal with the backlog of service users whose cases awaited review.
- The contract for the new Public Health Nursing Service has been awarded, following a competitive procurement process.
- The council's new Home First service has launched, bringing together the existing rapid response home care service with the re-ablement service previously delivered by a third party.
- The council now has 10,000 followers on Twitter and 4,609 on Facebook.
- The council has committed to support more refugees.
- Herefordshire's adult social care has been identified by the Care Quality Commission as providing some of the best care in the wider region.