## Sue Bruce becomes a Dame in the New Year's Honours

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Sue Bruce, Chief Executive of the City of Edinburgh Council, has been made a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire, in recognition of her long and distinguished career in local government.

The announcement has been made within the New Year's Honours list which will be published tomorrow. The Edinburgh Reporter would like to add our warm congratulations to Ms Bruce.

Sue Bruce said: "This honour is something that I never expected to receive and as a lifelong public servant, it is a tremendous privilege to be recognised in this way.

"From my first job as a Youth & Community Worker for Strathclyde Regional Council back in 1976, I have been hugely proud to dedicate myself to local government and am now in my 39th year of public service.

"Serving as Chief Executive of the City of Edinburgh Council, particularly during such a challenging and exciting time for the capital, has undoubtedly been the pinnacle of my career.

"Of course, I couldn't have got as far as I have without the support of the people around me and this honour is as much for them as it is for me."

Lord Provost Donald Wilson said: "Sue has successfully tackled some key challenges during her time as Chief Executive and has achieved real progress for the Council.

"From the outset, she has worked tirelessly, way beyond her role and normal expectations of a Chief Executive, particularly in relation to charity work and measures to enhance the prospects of children and young people in our city."

Ellen Muir, Head Teacher at Pilrig Park School, has also been honoured with a Member of the Order of the British Empire as well as <a href="Yvonne Ramsay">Yvonne Ramsay</a> who founded Kinsfolkcarers.