**CEO of Ambient Support Shortlisted for Third Sector Excellence Awards 2020**

*(8th September)* Mark Milton, CEO of national charity Ambient Support, has been shortlisted for the ***Third Sector Excellence Awards 2020*** in the prestigious ***Charity Chief Executive*** category.

Since his appointment in 2015, Mark Milton has been an agent of change spearheading the ‘One Team’ culture at [Ambient](https://www.ambient.org.uk/)  and taking the charity from a low key NFP organisation and transforming it into a dynamic, evolving entity that puts people at the heart of everything it does.

As one of only 7 finalists, from hundreds of nominations received, it is a fantastic achievement. Mark says:

*“I feel incredibly proud to work alongside such a dynamic, committed and professional team of people, that enable Ambient Support to deliver the highest level of support and quality care for people using our services.*

*“To be shortlisted for this award is a testament to their hard work and passion and whilst I am delighted to be a finalist I have done so because of the amazing team that I work alongside.”*

Other finalists competing for one of the industries most reputable awards are Emma Ratzer MBE of Access Community Trust, Gemma Peters of Blood Cancer UK, Jane Gurney of Essex & Herts Air Ambulance, Juliet Bouverie of Stroke Association, Paul Bott of SJOG and Sarah Elizabeth Brook of The Sparkle Foundation.

Due to the pandemic, the winners of this year's Third Sector Awards, which recognise the achievements of charities, voluntary organisations and social enterprises, will be announced over a two-day virtual ceremony event commencing at 5pm on Wednesday 7 and Thursday 8 October.

Ambient Support (formerly known as Heritage Care and Community Options) is a registered UK charity with over 25 years’ experience in providing care and support services for older people, people with a mental health need and people with a learning disability. Ambient believe that everyone is unique, and they should be able to lead valued lives in their communities, treated with dignity and respect no matter their age, health condition or disability. To find out more visit:

www.ambient.org.uk

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**About Ambient Support:** [www.ambient.org.uk](http://www.ambient.org.uk)

* One of the Top 20 generic Not-For-Profit Health & Social Care Providers in the UK Ambient Support (formerly known as Heritage Care and Community Options) is a registered UK charity with over 25 years’ experience
* They deliver services that meet the needs of some of the most vulnerable adults in our society. Operating in over 130 locations, they provide over 30 thousand hours of care to people on a weekly basis to support a range of needs due to the ageing process, learning disability or mental illness
* Their wide range of quality specialist services are delivered by dedicated, professional, and passionate staff and their success is built on supporting people to live a full and meaningful life.
* Ambient currently employs around 1,400 people across the UK in a number of settings
* Ambient can also help young adults who are transitioning from Children’s to Adult Learning Disability Services
* The Charity has an above industry average with 88% Registered Services rated as GOOD by CQC.