



Penny Coates DL

Penny Coates is a Trustee of The National Space Centre, a Trustee of The National Forest and a Trustee of Leicester Cathedral, she is also Vice Chair of Chester Zoo.

Penny is a Non-Executive Director of Aurigo International PLC and an Advisor to Birmingham Airport.

Historically Penny worked for Mars, PepsiCo, Boots, Asda and the Manchester Airports Group where her responsibilities included several years as Chief Executive of East Midlands Airport.

Penny has also served terms as a Non-Executive Director or Trustee of various organisations including The Coop, Luton Airport, The Melton Building Society, S4RB and Loughborough University. Penny also voluntarily chaired the East Midlands Freeport bid for the first year until tax site designation was achieved.

Penny has led teams to win a variety of accolades for the organisations she has worked with and has personally been awarded Businesswoman of the year and later a Lifetime achievement award in the Leicestershire Women in Business awards.

