

Challenge to couples

REGARDLESS of whatever happens between Cheryl and Will.i.am, life in the public eye can take its toll on any couple, no matter how strong their relationship may appear to the outside world.

Sharon Kell, managing director and founder of Gateshead-based dating agency Coco Moon, says that has more than been demonstrated this week by news of Boyzone frontman Ronan Keating's separation from wife Yvonne.

Sharon said: "It is always sad when any relationship comes to an end but when that relationship has been in the public eye, unfortunately so is the break up.

"We grow attached to the high profile personalities and what we perceive to be a happy marriage or relationship, stands for what we want to believe in; the fantasy. The challenge for many couples, especially those who have been together for so long and from a young age, is to continue to grow together."