



Birmingham Independent Improvement Panel

Co-ordinating O&S Committee

11th January 2019

1 Purpose and Attached Documents

- 1.1 The Birmingham Independent Improvement Panel (BIIP) was established by Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government to provide support and challenge to the City Council as it undertakes the measures necessary to secure the improvements needed if it is to effectively and efficiently deliver local public services for all the City's communities, give value for money for local taxpayers, and promote growth and wellbeing across the City. The Panel began its work in January 2015.
- 1.2 Reports to the panel from the City Council and panel responses can be found at:
https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/50130/performance/931/birmingham_independent_improvement_panel_biip
- 1.3 In the last six months, the City Council and BIIP have focused on re-establishing the baseline and focusing on what needs fixing now, following a period of change. This resulted in the Corporate Governance Plan, which has been discussed at your committee in September and November. The latest draft is attached.
- 1.4 These are also now published on the website and shared with members, along with notes from meetings held between the BIIP, Council officers and members, and the Department of Housing, Communities and Local Government.

2 Today's Session

- 2.1 Sally Hammond and Steve Robinson from the BIIP will attend your meeting today, to discuss the work of the panel and their views on how scrutiny can best support the City Council in the future. In particular, the Committee will want to explore how scrutiny can build on the work of the current year (on the corporate governance plan, performance monitoring and finance monitoring) and identify priorities for improvement in 2019/20 and building those into respective committee work programmes.

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