## A REPORT OF THE CO-ORDINATING OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

## REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL – 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019

## FULL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMENTARY

I would like to thank the Co-ordinating Overview & Scrutiny Committee for producing this informative review of City Council. The recommendations within this review will help to inform and improve the function of Full Council and develop broader engagement of both Elected Members and local residents in the policy development process.

These are exciting times for the City. Birmingham is becoming the 'go to' place for investment in the UK, the Commonwealth Games are only three years away and exciting development is taking place across the city.

Within the Council Plan 2018-22 we have set out ambitious plans to make a positive difference to everyday people's lives. To make this difference, these plans must be underpinned by robust evidence-based policies and the recommendations set out in the scrutiny report will help us on the journey to develop robust plans and deliver positive outcomes for the residents and visitors to the city going forward.

Councillor lan Ward

Leader of Birmingham City Council