

Scrutiny Board :	Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board
Report Title	West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA) Corporate & Scrutiny Updates
Date of Meeting	10 February 2026
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Appendices (if any)	1) Corporate - Update 2) Scrutiny - Update

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 The scrutiny function seeks to improve services for the people of Sandwell. It does this by influencing the policies and decisions made by the Council, WMCA and other organisations involved in delivering public services. The role that the Board can play in holding the WMCA to account is fundamentally important as the work of the WMCA supports all of the objectives of the Council Plan, particularly Living in Sandwell and Thriving Economy in Sandwell.

2. Reasons for Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Board considers and comments upon the Corporate and Scrutiny Updates as presented by the West Midlands Combined Authority.