

Thank you for your interest in this important role.

Birmingham is an exciting and developing city. Our ambition is high and so is our confidence. The 2022 Commonwealth Games provided a great window into the city, in all of its vibrant and diverse glory. Now we are kicking on, focused on delivering inclusive growth across the city, with nobody left behind.

We are a new leadership team with real determination to deliver the services that the city deserves. The Children's Trust plays an important part in this, supporting and safeguarding the city's most vulnerable children, young people and families. Great strides have been made since 2018 and we are delighted with the recent Ofsted judgement that all services provided by the Trust are now 'Good'. Our relationship with the Trust is critical to our success: as owner of the Trust, as commissioner of its services, and as vital strategic partners improving outcomes and life chances for children and families across the city. 2023 is Birmingham's Year of Change for Children, when we, with our partners, redouble our efforts to ensure this is a great city for our children to grow up in.

The Children's Trust has the support of the elected members of the Council to succeed, as well as mine and that of our team. We believe the Trust offers the most effective way for us to continue to deliver social care and family support services, and the Council has only recently approved a new ten-year contract for the Trust. As its Chief Executive you will play an important role in the Council's, and the city's leadership. We recognise the Trust's operational independence, but also know we are better when we are working together.



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