## Browne Jacobson joins critical debate on the West Midlands Mayoral race

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The event, which is open to local businesses will give attendees the opportunity to hear the manifestos from the three main party candidates and allow them to put forward their case to be elected as the next West Midlands Mayor.

National law firm Browne Jacobson is sponsoring the event along with global real estate services provider, Savills. The forum will see the current Mayor and Conservative party candidate Andy Street CBE, Labour MP for Birmingham Hodge Hill Liam Byrne and Liberal Democrat mayoral candidate Jenny Wilkinson go head to head in the debate. They will outline their policies on education, business support, inward investment, residential and commercial development, transport and infrastructure, the green economy, devolution and inclusivity.

Michael Stace, corporate partner and head of the firm's Birmingham office commented:

"We are really privileged to be involved in this important debate on who will be the best fit for the position of West Midlands Mayor.

"Like many other regions in the UK, the West Midlands was significantly affected by the Pandemic, with a major decline in gross domestic product (GDP), high rates of unemployment and a high Covid death rate. The economy is in desperate need of investment so as a business, it will be interesting to hear what the future holds for the region, the plans to reinvigorate its economy and what support there will be for the likes of our clients - SME's and larger corporate businesses with Birmingham based HQ's."

"We also understand from our own business perspective and our clients the importance of being part of the green revolution. Sustainability is going to be high on our business agenda over the next few years so it would be useful to hear the candidates pledges around that too."

On 19 May, Browne Jacobson will take part in a post-election roundtable event to discuss how the newly elected Mayor will shape the future of the West Midlands region's business landscape and any impact on local SME's and larger corporate organisations.

You can sign up to watch the free webinar here.

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