

A meeting of the Council will be held in the Civic Hall, Leeds on Wednesday, 13th September, 2017 at 1.00 pm

Members of the Council are invited to attend and transact the following business:

- 1 Minutes of the last Meeting** 1 - 18

To approve the minutes of the Council Meetings held on 12th July 2017.
- 2 Declarations of Interest**

To receive any declarations of interest from Members
- 3 Communications**

To receive such communications as the Lord Mayor, the Leader, Members of the Executive Board or the Chief Executive consider appropriate.
- 4 Deputations**

To receive deputations in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10.
- 5 Report - Community Committee Annual Report** 19 - 44

To consider the report of the Director of Communities and Environment bringing the Community Committees' Annual Report to the attention of council. It looks at progress over the last twelve months, outlines the changes which have taken place during 2016 to 2017 and gives examples of some of the work the community committees have carried out within their communities to improve the lives of local people.
- 6 Report on Appointments** 45 - 46

To consider the report of the City Solicitor on appointments.
- 7 Questions**

To deal with questions in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.

8	Minutes of the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Executive Board	47 - 68
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To receive the minutes in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.2(i).

9	Report on Devolution	69 - 74
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To consider a report of the Chief Executive updating Members on matters in the Leeds City Region LEP and the West Yorkshire Combined Authority, specifically the report provides details of the latest public combined authority meeting in August.

10	White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor J Procter) - Core Strategy Housing Target	75 - 76
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This Council welcomes the initial findings from the Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) suggesting that the ruling Labour administration has indeed set a Core Strategy housing target far in excess of what the city actually required.

Council is concerned about the damage already done to communities in Leeds as a result of their 70,000 target and recalls the many warnings from opposition parties that the council leadership ignored over the past 5 years regarding this inflated figure.

70,000 houses was neither desirable nor deliverable and this Council looks forward to a housing target that is based on reality as opposed to a political view founded in the Regional Spatial Strategies of the Blair/Brown years.

11	White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Blake) - Government Investment	77 - 78
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This Council believes the economy of the North does not currently perform to its full potential due to a lack of investment in crucial infrastructure such as transport, education and housing.

Council believes as the UK moves closer to Brexit, significant investment is needed to increase economic growth across the North and rebalance the national economy which will benefit the wealth of the country as a whole.

Council believes this longstanding deficiency stops children and young people in Leeds making the most of their potential through life and discourages inward investment and economic growth. Evidence demonstrates inadequate transport networks limit journeys for freight and people, businesses cannot recruit qualified staff and low pay is endemic.

This Council regrets recent attempts by cabinet ministers to abdicate responsibility for addressing these issues and agrees to write to the Prime Minister to seek assurances on much-needed Government investment.

This Council calls on the Government to urgently undertake a review of the State Pension Laws 1995 and 2011 and how they impact on woman in Leeds born in the 1950s, who have found the goalposts moved in terms of when they receive their state pension.

Further, that this Council supports the WASPI (Women Against State Pension Inequality) campaign group, which campaigns for justice for all women born in the 1950s affected by the changes to the State Pension Law (1995/2011 Acts).

The 1995 Pension Act included plans to increase women's SPA (State Pension Age) to 65, the same as men's. WASPI agrees with equalisation, but does not agree with the unfair way the changes are being implemented – with little or no personal notice (1995/2011 Pension Acts), faster than promised (2011 Pension Act), and no time to make alternative plans.

Retirement plans have been shattered with devastating consequences.

WASPI is seeking to achieve fair state pension transitional arrangements for those women born in the 1950s, affected by those two pieces of legislation, who have already reached what would have been their state pension age.

This Council supports those aims and calls on the Government to act on legislation which has negatively affected often low paid women, who were relying on their state pension in retirement.

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