

COUNCIL MEETING – 26 March 2014

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White Paper	WP1	17/03/14	17/03/14

Submitted by:	Councillor Andrew Carter
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Exec Member for Development and Economy
Relevant Director	Director of City Development

This Council reaffirms its opposition to a developer led approach to planning policy.

This Council believes that a brown field first approach to development is the right one and further believes that new housing should be prioritised in regeneration areas and areas where there is clear unmet housing need.

This Council calls on the administration to act on the following issues:

- Evidence a robust 5 year land supply in Leeds
- Note and implement the recent planning guidance 'Making the planning system work more efficiently and effectively' regarding infrastructure constraints when assessing site suitability
- Further note the planning guidance with regard to brownfield land, developer profits and previous developer records on unimplemented planning permissions
- Take action to ensure that housing is not delivered in areas of flood risk
- Commit to continuing protection of the Greenbelt in Leeds
- Take note of recent ministerial advice that suggests that phasing of new housing development is not centrally prescribed by Government

This Council believes that housing numbers should not be seen in isolation as simply a positive for growth and a mechanism to address unmet need. These are important, but due consideration has to be given to infrastructure. Otherwise, in Leeds, this will likely result in over-subscribed schools, massively congested roads and key services stretched to breaking point.

This Council believes that new housing should be genuinely sustainable and this means delivering the infrastructure to support it before it is built.

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Deadlines for submission

White Papers - *10.00 am on the day before the issue of the Summons
Questions - 10.00 am on Monday prior to meeting
Amendments - 1.30 pm on Tuesday prior to meeting
(including references back)

(All submissions should be made to Governance Services for receipt to be recorded and distribution made)

*Usually the Monday of the week prior to a Wednesday meeting.

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