

COUNCIL MEETING – 2nd JULY 2014

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper	WP2	23/06/14	24/06/14

Submitted by:	Councillor Jonathan Bentley
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Executive Member(Cleaner, Stronger and Safer Communities)
Relevant Director	Director of Environment and Housing

This Council notes the recent report from Public Health England which shows poor air quality is directly responsible for approximately 350 deaths a year in Leeds and the World Health Organisation's recent report showing Leeds failing to meet European air quality standards.

Low Emission Zones in Sweden showed a 40% decrease in emission levels from heavy vehicles within just four years of the creation of a Low Emission Zone. A similar increase in air quality in Leeds will avoid unnecessary deaths.

With this in mind, Council expresses its concern that the feasibility study asked for by Full Council more than three years ago in April 2011 has yet to be completed. It therefore requests the Executive Board to bring forward proposals to create Low Emission Zones in areas of high air pollution in Leeds in order to save lives no later than the October 2014 Executive Board meeting.

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by: n/a

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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