

COUNCIL MEETING – 10 September 2014

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper Amendment	WP2	15/8/14	2/9/14

Submitted by:	Councillor K Wakefield
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chair of the Executive Board
Relevant Director	Chief Executive

Council welcomes Government recognition of our exceptionally strong case for greater devolution of financial powers as reflected in the Growth Deal agreed by Leeds City Region Local Enterprise Partnership in July 2014.

However, in order to provide long-term growth and a genuine rebalancing of the national economy, this must be the start and not the end of the further devolution of power and resources to cities and city regions.

This Council therefore commits to:

- § Deliver increased jobs and drive growth through continued and sustained local investment.
- § Build on our proven track record of delivering effective local outcomes through strong partnerships.

In order to enable the Leeds City Region to fulfil its economic potential Council also calls on Government to:

- § Rapidly implement the Growth Deal in full and immediately engage in negotiation regarding the next round of Growth Deals.
- § Commit to true devolution without any imposition of politically motivated conditions.
- § Support the proposals set out by England's nine largest cities for greater financial freedoms and local control over how finance is raised and invested.

* 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 (including references back)	- 1.30 pm on Tuesday prior to meeting

(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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