

COUNCIL MEETING – 12 November 2014

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper	WP3	3/11/14	4/11/14

Submitted by:	Councillor J Lewis
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Executive Member for Transport and the Economy
Relevant Director	Director of City Development

This Council believes the people of Leeds and their elected representatives are best placed to develop and shape local public transport networks.

Council is concerned that current arrangements, where decisions are made either by remote government departments and agencies or private sector operators, have resulted in under investment, inadequate services and rising costs for passengers.

Council believes that a lack of local planning and integration has created a public transport system that fails to meet the needs of the people of Leeds.

Council would like to see a fully integrated local transport system, including modern integrated 'Oyster style' ticketing, locally planned networks and investment in order to create growth in passenger numbers and help build a stronger economy for Leeds residents.

Council resolves to proceed with the development of London style franchising through bus Quality Contracts and to continue discussions with the Department of Transport to devolve management of the forthcoming TransPennine and Northern Rail franchises. Council further resolves to seek continued devolution from Westminster and Whitehall of the powers and resources to Leeds City Region to enable the creation of a publicly run and accountable integrated transport network and welcomes initiatives such as the proposed Transport for the North.

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

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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