

COUNCIL MEETING – 14th SEPTEMBER 2016

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper	WP3	05/09/16	06/09/16

Submitted by:	Councillor Stewart Golton
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Executive Member (Leader of Council)
Relevant Director	Director of City Development

This council welcomes the strong economy compassionate city agenda and believes that good quality jobs are essential to ensuring inclusive economic growth.

Council notes that a BBC investigation into a UK based Amazon warehouse found conditions that a stress expert said could cause “physical and mental illness” and supports the GMB campaign for improved working conditions at Amazon warehouses.

Council believes it is hypocritical for the Labour administration to have purchased the Amazon warehouse at Logic Leeds without making any efforts to improve working conditions for employees at that site and that having done so undermines the strong economy compassionate city strategy.

Council therefore calls on the Labour administration to use its position as landlord to secure improved working conditions for employees at the Amazon facility at Logic Leeds.

Council further instructs the executive to devise and implement an ethical employer policy to apply to commercial tenants of buildings owned by Leeds City Council that addresses issues of low pay, exploitative working practices and trade union recognition.

Deadlines for submission

- White Papers - 10.00 am on the day before the issue of the Summons
- Questions - 10.00 am on Monday before the meeting
- Amendments - 10.00 am on the day before the meeting
(including references back)

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