

**COUNCIL MEETING – 29<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2017**

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White Paper	WP3	20/3/17	21/3/17

Submitted by:	Councillor Lucinda Yeadon
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Executive Member (Environment and Sustainability)
Relevant Director	Director of Environment and Housing

This Council believes that air pollution in the UK is a public health crisis, with the World Health Organisation and Public Health England describing it as the largest environmental risk to public health, contributing to around 350 premature deaths in Leeds per year.

This Council also notes that air pollution disproportionately affects some of the most vulnerable groups in our community: the elderly, those with existing health conditions, children, and people in our most deprived inner city areas.

This Council will continue to work closely with DEFRA and the Joint Air Quality Unit (JAQU) on proposals for a Clean Air Zone (CAZ) in Leeds, but calls for a nationally-funded implementation framework to help support businesses and SMEs affected by a CAZ. This Council also calls for a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Clean Air Act to address the major air quality challenges we face today and encourages all Members to get involved in the National Clean Air Day on 15 June 2017.

This Council will continue its commitment to improving air quality and reducing these inequalities, making Leeds a fair, sustainable and compassionate city.

**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)