

COUNCIL MEETING – 28th MARCH 2018

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White Paper	WP2	19/3/18	20/3/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Debra Coupar
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Executive Member (Communities)
Relevant Director	Director of Communities and Environment

This Council records its utmost appreciation for the exceptional efforts of West Yorkshire Police in serving the people of Leeds.

Council notes the appalling record of the Conservative and coalition governments in resourcing our nation's police forces, cutting £2.3billion from police budgets and 21,000 Police Officers since 2010, leading to the highest rise in recorded crime for a quarter of a century.

Council is gravely concerned the Conservative led Government has cut West Yorkshire Police's budget by £140m since 2010. By contrast Council notes the success of the Labour administration in maintaining the number of PCSOs in the Leeds district, with match funding secured from the Labour Police and Crime Commissioner.

Council is dismayed that the most recent Government funding settlement yet again fails to provide adequate resources for West Yorkshire Police and unfairly places more of the burden for funding the service away from central government and on to Leeds council tax payers.

This Council therefore calls for an urgent increase in resources for West Yorkshire Police from central government to allow officers to tackle crime and maintain essential public safety for the people of Leeds.

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 (including references back)	- 10.00 am on the day before the meeting

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