

**COUNCIL MEETING – 12<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018**

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper Amendment	A2 To WP1	11/9/18	11/9/18

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Submitted by: Councillor Jonathan Pryor  
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board  
Executive Member/Chair: Executive Member (Learning, Skills and Employment)  
Relevant Director: Director of Children and Families

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Delete all after “This Council...” and replace with:

*“...wholeheartedly congratulates all pupils, teachers, staff and schools across Leeds on this years’ exam results. We understand how much work goes into achieving these results and the stress both pupils and teachers are under. We are delighted that results in Leeds are continuing to climb.*

*Council acknowledges the challenges involved in improving performance, and believes that although we are on the correct trajectory we must continue to work hard to not only close the gap with the national average, but to exceed it – making Leeds the best city to grow up in and giving every child in Leeds the best start in life.*

*Council further acknowledges the additional challenges facing our pupils and schools, including continued Government funding cuts, increased class sizes and teacher shortages.*

*Council condemns the many damaging decisions taken by Government but in particular both the continued austerity measures which have seen an increase in child poverty levels and the decision by Government to reduce funding for post-16 Special Educational Needs and Disabilities pupils.*

*Council therefore calls on Government to:*

- *Re-instate the Education Maintenance Allowance*
- *Properly fund Special Educational Needs and Disabilities education*
- *Adequately fund all schools*
- *Invest in the maintenance of school buildings*
- *Take urgent steps to reverse the teacher shortage*
- *Recognise the impact austerity measures are having on children and in particular in terms of attainment*
- *Urgently allocate funding to local authorities to enable them to support vulnerable children and families.*
- *Return powers to Local Authorities to open new schools to tackle the school places crisis.”*

*Jonathan Pryor*

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## 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)

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