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Amendments to the White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Lamb) -  
Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ)

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## COUNCIL MEETING – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2023

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper Amendment	A1 TO WP1	12/9/23	12/9/23

Submitted by:	Councillor David Blackburn
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Executive Member (Sustainable Development & Infrastructure)
Relevant Director	Director of City Development

Delete all after “This Council” and replace with

“... notes that vehicle emissions not only damage our environment, but also have serious impact upon the health of our citizens. Council therefore resolves to do all that is reasonably possible to reduce the level of these emissions in our city.

Furthermore, this Council decries the increasing ‘weaponisation’ of social issues like the ULEZ in the pursuit of mindless culture wars, that distract us from the important work of building a fair and sustainable society.”

The amended White Paper will then read:

This Council notes that vehicle emissions not only damage our environment, but also have serious impact upon the health of our citizens. Council therefore resolves to do all that is reasonably possible to reduce the level of these emissions in our city.

Furthermore, this Council decries the increasing ‘weaponisation’ of social issues like the ULEZ in the pursuit of mindless culture wars, that distract us from the important work of building a fair and sustainable society.

Moved by Cllr David Blackburn

Seconded by Cllr Ed Carlisle

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(including references back)

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper Amendment	A2 TO WP1	12/9/23	12/9/23

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

Delete all after 'This Council'

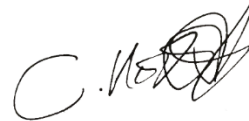
and replace with 'believes that all Leeds citizens have the right to breathe clean air'

The amended White Paper will then read:

This Council believes that all Leeds citizens have the right to breathe clean air



Proposed by Cllr Stewart Golton



Seconded by Cllr Conrad Hart-Brooke

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White Paper Amendment	A3 TO WP1	12/9/23	12/9/23

Submitted by:	Councillor Mohammed Rafique
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Executive Member (Climate, Energy, Environment and Green Space)
Relevant Director	Director of City Development

In the first paragraph, after “This Council in principle rules out introduction of” insert:

“vehicle and road use charges as part of....”

In the first paragraph, after “an Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) in Leeds” insert:

“....and commits to improving air quality across the city.

However, Council notes this issue could be taken out of our hands as it was in 2017 when the Conservative Government directed the Council to consider measures to improve Air Quality in Leeds including through a charging Clean Air Zone. Council further notes in 2020 other actions taken by this Council to improve air quality meant the Government agreed a Clean Air Zone was no longer necessary.

Council welcomes measures set out in the Leeds Air Quality Strategy and Connecting Leeds Transport Strategy that are helping to improve air quality in Leeds. Council is concerned the Government’s failure to support some measures identified in the strategies, including public transport improvements, risks compromising the good progress made so far to improve air quality for Leeds residents.

Council is concerned by the inconsistent approach to Air Quality standards taken by the current Conservative Government. Council therefore calls on the Government to reconsider its approach and provide sufficient support to local areas to ensure air quality continues to improve and avoid the need for measures such as a Clean Air Zone.”

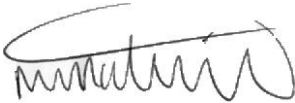
Amended motion to read:

“This Council in principle rules out the introduction of vehicle and road use charges as part of an Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) in Leeds and commits to improving air quality across the city.

However, Council notes this issue could be taken out of our hands as it was in 2017 when the Conservative Government directed the Council to consider measures to improve Air Quality in Leeds including through a charging Clean Air Zone. Council further notes in 2020 other actions taken by this Council to improve air quality meant the Government agreed a Clean Air Zone was no longer necessary.

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