

COUNCIL MEETING – 17th January 2024

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper Amendment	A3 to WP1	16/1/24	16/1/24

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

Delete ‘anti motorist,’ from the first paragraph, and replace ‘local’ with ‘wider Leeds’.

Replace the section of the 2nd paragraph from “Proposals...” to “...Pudsey.” with “The existence of car parking charges in Otley, and the introduction of such charges in other town and district centres are a deterrent for people wishing to visit local health centres, hospitality venues, shops and facilities local to them, and have a ‘chilling effect’ on local economies.”

Delete the words ‘by car’ in the final bullet point and inserting after ‘...bar goes,’ the phrase ‘by insisting that bus companies do not reduce service frequency after 6pm on their routes’.

Add a further bullet point:

- o The development of a Transport Plan for every ward in the city to maximise local mobility.

The amended White Paper would then read:

This Council is concerned by the current approach to transport policy in our district centres and the city centre. Instead of making it easier for people to get where they want to go, this administration seems intent on pursuing a “Disconnecting Leeds” strategy which is increasingly ineffective and damaging to the wider Leeds economy.

The existence of car parking charges in Otley, and the introduction of such charges in other town and district centres are a deterrent for people wishing to visit local health centres, hospitality venues, shops and facilities local to them, and have a ‘chilling effect’ on local economies. This short-sighted policy comes at a time when the local buses serving outer areas are more unreliable than ever, with timetable changes and cuts to routes that have made travelling to and from these areas of Leeds much more difficult.

Meanwhile our City Centre is frequently in a state of gridlock, particularly around the railway station, with visitors to Leeds often left confused and frustrated by new road layouts and disruption.

This Council calls for a rethink of the city’s approach to transport policy and strategy, and asks that a report is brought to Executive Board setting out options that will achieve the following:

- Improved connectivity to, from, and within our town and district centres;

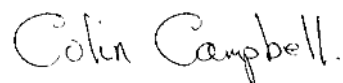
- Cancellation of any and all plans to introduce new charging in town and district centre car parks, parks and attractions;
- A pause to any future planned transport schemes in the city centre while a review into their effectiveness is conducted, drawing on lessons learned from disruption caused by recent schemes;
- Making the city centre more accessible for shoppers, theatre, restaurant and bar goers by insisting that bus companies do not reduce service frequency after 6pm on their routes so that all can enjoy our amazing city centre.
- The development of a Transport Plan for every ward in the city to maximise local mobility.

Proposed by:



Cllr Stewart Golton

Seconded by:



Cllr Colin Campbell

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)
