

A meeting of the Council will be held remotely on Wednesday, 15th July, 2020 at 1.00 pm

Members of the Council are invited to attend and transact the following business:

- 1 Minutes of the last Meeting** 5 - 40

To approve the minutes of the Council Meetings held on 26th February 2020 and 30th April 2020.
- 2 Declarations of Interest**

To receive any declarations of interest from Members
- 3 Communications**

To receive such communications as the Lord Mayor, the Leader, Members of the Executive Board or the Chief Executive consider appropriate.
- 4 Report on Council Meeting Dates 2020/21** 41 - 44

To consider the report of the City Solicitor on the Council meeting dates for the 2020/21 Municipal Year.
- 5 Report on Appointments** 45 - 48

To consider the report of the City Solicitor on appointments.
- 6 Report on Executive Arrangements** 49 - 102

To note the report of the City Solicitor presenting the Leader's executive arrangements as set out in the schedule attached to the report.
- 7 Report Update on Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic - Response and Recovery Plan** 103 - 214

To consider a report of the Chief Executive updating Council on more recent key new developments in relation to the city's recovery approach to the coronavirus pandemic, in particular regarding the outbreak management approach.

8 **Executive Questions**

To deal with executive questions in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.

9 **Minutes of the Executive Board** 215 - 260

To receive the minutes in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.2(i).

10 **White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Stephenson) - Schools** 261 - 262

This Council recognises the challenging times that parents, teachers and pupils have been through in recent months as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Even in these unprecedented times this Council believes that providing children and young people in Leeds with the best possible education should be a key priority for the city and therefore believes that all children and young people should be back at school in September 2020 at the latest.

This Council welcomes additional financial support for schools provided by Government, including a £1 billion Covid Catch-Up Plan and a further £1.7 billion for school rebuilding, repairs and upgrades.

Council notes that Wetherby Ward Members have devised a plan to secure half the money required to rebuild Wetherby High School but notes that no such plan exists for Royds High School in Rothwell. Council therefore calls on the ruling administration to progress formal funding bids, as appropriate, for both schools.

11 **White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Bentley) - Unpaid Carers** 263 - 264

This Council recognises, with gratitude, the tremendous work being done by all key workers during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Particular thanks go to the thousands of unpaid carers who have done so much to look after and protect vulnerable members of the community.

The Council calls on the Government to give more recognition and support to unpaid carers by:

- Introducing free travel on public transport for young carers
- Protecting carers against discrimination at work similar to those facing racism, sexism and homophobia
- Increasing the Carers Allowance
- Raising the threshold at which payments are halted

Additionally the Council asks that the Government supports and allocates Parliamentary time to the recently introduced Private Members Bill which would require employers to make “reasonable adjustments” for carers as they

would for disabled staff, allowing people to combine caring and paid employment.

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**White Paper Motion (in the name of Councillor Lewis) -
Coronavirus Financial challenges**

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“This Council remembers all who lost their lives due to Coronavirus and expresses its deepest sympathies to all who have lost loved ones.

Council is eternally grateful to the health and social care workers, other key workers and volunteers in Leeds who continue to do such an incredible job. Council is proud of the response of the people of Leeds to the pandemic and believes their grit and determination will help drive the city’s economic recovery.

Council recognises the unprecedented impact on the council’s finances from additional expenditure and lost income related to Coronavirus. Council notes the promise from Government to do “whatever is necessary” to support councils in doing everything possible to respond to the virus. Council welcomes the commitments made so far by Government but recognises these fall far short of covering the additional costs and loss of income associated with our Coronavirus response.

Council supports the short term immediate measures to deliver savings that were reported to Executive Board in June, but notes this comes after a decade of austerity being imposed on the council and is deeply concerned further measures will be required which could involve huge cuts to services vital to the city’s social wellbeing and economic recovery, as well as possible job losses affecting the very workers who led the fight against coronavirus. Council notes all other local authorities are facing a financial challenge.

This Council, along with councils all over the country, is ready to step up to help the UK recover from this unprecedented global crisis. Council believes further financial support from government is needed to do this, plus the removal of red tape and giving more freedoms in the way councils operate financially. This would allow the council to do what we have already proved we can do in delivering improved public services and prosperity for the people of Leeds.

“Council resolves to continue working with organisations including Core Cities and the Local Government Association to make the case that all councils are desperately in need of extra funding and to lobby the Government for the resources we need.”



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