

**A meeting of the Council will be held in the Civic Hall, Leeds on Wednesday, 31st October, 2007 at 1.30 pm**

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

**1. Minutes**

To confirm the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2007.

**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. Deputations**

To receive deputations in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10

**5. Reports**

To approve the recommendations in the following report considered by the Monitoring Officer as appropriate to be received at this meeting in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.2.f:

- (a) The report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance) on temporary changes to Council Procedure Rules

**J PROCTER**

- (b) To approve recipients for the Leeds Award and names for memorial inscriptions

**M HARRIS**

**6. Questions**

To deal with questions in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11

**7. Recommendations of the Executive Board**

To consider the report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance) on recommendations of the Executive Board

**M HARRIS**

**8. Recommendations of the Corporate Governance and Audit Committee**

To consider the report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance) on recommendations of the Corporate Governance and Audit Committee

**M HARRIS**

**9. Minutes**

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

**10. White Paper Motion - Government Targets for New Housing**

This Council notes with great concern the revised targets that the Government is proposing for housing numbers across West Yorkshire and particularly Leeds. This Council believes that the targets now being proposed by the Government for the City are unsustainable and unattainable.

The Council resolves:

- (a) to do everything it can to protect greenbelt and greenfield sites around the city
- (b) to point out to the Government that their proposals would lead to unsustainable development through the consultation process currently underway
- (c) to inform the Government that the numbers required have a very damaging effect on the Council's own regeneration initiatives in the EASEL, Swarcliffe, West Leeds Gateway and other areas of the city.

In conclusion this Council resolves to strongly oppose the new housing allocation targets and calls upon all Leeds' Members of Parliament to support the Council in this action.

**A CARTER**

**11. White Paper Motion - Construction of an Incinerator in Leeds**

This Council is opposed to an incinerator being constructed anywhere in the city and calls upon the ruling Administration to make their waste strategy clear to the people of Leeds.

**J BLAKE**

**12. White Paper Motion - The Royal British Legion "It's time to Honour the Covenant" Campaign**

This Council notes the excellent work carried out by the various branches of The Royal British Legion throughout the City of Leeds.

In particular we note the work of the "Its time to Honour the Covenant" campaign and request that the Chief Executive write to the Secretary of State for Defence and to all Leeds MP's showing the support of Leeds City Council to this campaign.

## **T GRAYSHON**

### **13. White Paper Motion (Procedure Rule 3.1(d)) - Houses in Multiple Occupation**

Council notes that:

- in England a family house and a house in multiple occupation (HMO) are in the same Use Class, in planning terms, which means that planning permission is not required to use what was a family house as an HMO.
- If the planning rules in England were changed to create a separate Use Class for HMOs, it would be much easier to control their distribution and local density in the City.
- Having a high density of HMOs can have a detrimental effect on local communities, for example in terms of waste, parking and noise, and can eventually lead to communities becoming unbalanced and unsustainable.

Therefore Council instructs the Council Leader to ask the Government to change the planning rules in England to create a separate Use Class for HMOs, and to write to all Leeds MPs to lend their support.

## **J MONAGHAN**

### **14. White Paper Motion (Procedure Rule 3.1(d)) - Leeds Rhinos and Castleford Tigers Rugby League Teams**

This Council congratulates Leeds Rhinos on their fantastic grand final success, and furthermore urges the administration to appropriately celebrate their achievement in this Leeds 800<sup>th</sup> year.

Finally this Council joins with the councillors for Kippax and Methley Ward in congratulating the Castleford Tigers on the promotion back to the Super League.

## **K PARKER**

Chief Executive

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NOTE – The order in which White Paper motions will be debated will be determined by Whips prior to the meeting