

Proceedings of the Meeting of the Leeds City Council held
Civic Hall, Leeds on Wednesday, 15th September, 2010

PRESENT: The Lord Mayor Councillor James McKenna in the Chair

WARD

ADEL & WHARFEDALE

Clive Fox
Barry John Anderson
John Leslie Carter

ALWOODLEY

Peter Mervyn Harrand
Ronald David Feldman
Ruth Feldman

ARDSLEY & ROBIN HOOD

Lisa Mulherin
Karen Renshaw
Jack Dunn

ARMLEY

Janet Harper
Alison Natalie Kay Lowe
James McKenna

BEESTON & HOLBECK

David Congreve
Angela Gabriel
Adam Ogilvie

BRAMLEY & STANNINGLEY

Neil Taggart
Angela Denise Atkinson
Ted Hanley

BURMANTOFTS & RICHMOND HILL

Ron Grahame
Ralph Pryke
Richard Brett

WARD

CALVERLEY & FARSLEY

Rod Wood
Andrew Carter
Joseph William Marjoram

CHAPEL ALLERTON

Jane Dowson
Eileen Taylor
Mohammed Rafique

CITY & HUNSLET

Mohammed Iqbal
Elizabeth Nash
Patrick Davey

CROSS GATES & WHINMOOR

Peter John Gruen
Suzi Armitage
Pauleen Grahame

FARNLEY & WORTLEY

John Hamilton Hardy
David Blackburn
Ann Blackburn

GARFORTH & SWILLINGTON

Thomas Murray
Andrea McKenna
Mark Dobson

GIPTON & HAREHILLS

Kamila Maqsood
Alan Leonard Taylor
Arif Hussain

GUISELEY & RAWDON

Pat Latty
Graham Latty

HAREWOOD

Matthew James Robinson
Ann Castle
Rachael Procter

HEADINGLEY

Martin Hamilton
Jamie Matthews
James John Monaghan

HORSFORTH

Brian Cleasby
Christopher Townsley
Andrew Barker

HYDE PARK & WOODHOUSE

Javaid Akhtar
Penny Ewens
Gerry Harper

KILLINGBECK & SEACROFT

Brian Michael Selby
Graham Hyde
Veronica Morgan

KIPPAX & METHLEY

Keith Ivor Wakefield
John Keith Parker
James Lewis

KIRKSTALL

Bernard Peter Atha
Lucinda Joy Yeadon
John Anthony Illingworth

MIDDLETON PARK

Kim Groves
Geoffrey Driver
Judith Blake

MOORTOWN

Sharon Hamilton
Mark Daniel Harris
Brenda Lancaster

MORLEY NORTH

Thomas Leadley
Robert Finnigan
Robert William Gettings

MORLEY SOUTH

Shirley Varley
Judith Elliott
Terrence Grayshon

OTLEY & YEADON

Ryk Downes
Graham Peter Kirkland
Colin Campbell

PUDSEY

Mick Coulson
Josephine Patricia Jarosz
Richard Alwyn Lewis

ROTHWELL

Barry Stewart Golton
Donald Michael Wilson
Steve Smith

ROUNDHAY

Ghulam Hussain
Matthew Lobley
Valerie Kendall

TEMPLE NEWSAM

Michael Lyons
William Schofield Hyde
David Schofield

WEETWOOD

Judith Mara Chapman
Ben Chastney
Susan Bentley

WETHERBY

John Michael Procter
Gerald Wilkinson
Alan James Lamb

20 Announcements

- a) The Lord Mayor welcomed Tom Riordan, Chief Executive, to his first meeting of Council.
- b) The Lord Mayor reported that Ian Walton of Governance Services had recently retired and wished him a long and happy retirement.
- c) The Lord Mayor reported the recent deaths of Lady Edna Healey, Honorary Alderman Linda Middleton MBE DL and Denise Preston, and Council stood in silent tribute.

21 Suspension of Council Procedure Rules

It was moved by Councillor Gruen and seconded by Councillor Lobleby under Council Procedure Rule 22.1 that Procedure Rule 3.0 (time limits for business) be suspended to allow the business of the ordinary meeting to be extended by the duration of the Extraordinary Meeting and

RESOLVED – That Council Procedure Rule 3 be suspended to allow the business of the ordinary meeting to be extended by thirty-five minutes.

22 Minutes

It was moved by Councillor Gruen and seconded by Councillor Lobleby and

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 14th July 2010 be approved.

23 Declarations of Interest

The Lord Mayor announced that a list of written declarations submitted by Members was on deposit in the public galleries and had been circulated to each Member's place in the Chamber.

Following an invitation to declare individual interests, and advice regarding potential declarations having been given from the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance) in relation to minute 29 declarations in accordance with the Council's Member's Code of Conduct were made as follows:-

- a) Members declared personal interests in minute 29 of this meeting as follows:-

Cllr Murray	Member of St Aidan's Trust and Trust Land Advisory Committee Chief Executive of Leeds Learning Partnership
Cllr Parker	Member of St Aidan's Trust and Trust Land Advisory Committee
Cllr Wakefield	Member of Meanwood Valley Urban Farm
Cllr Gabriel	Employee of Leeds NHS Partnership Foundation Trust
Cllr Gettings	Member of Leeds Grand Theatre Board
Cllr Ewens	Governor of City of Leeds School
Cllr Chastney	Director of Hyde Park Source

- 1) Leeds Youth Council Regarding the Equality and Diversity Action Plan.
- 2) Local Residents concerned at access arrangements to Throstle Nest Villa, Horsforth.
- 3) Unison Leeds Community Health regarding NHS Leeds and Social Enterprise.

RESOLVED – That the subject matter in respect of the deputations be referred to the Executive Board for consideration.

25 Reports

a) Appointments

It was moved by Councillor Gruen seconded by Councillor Lobley and

RESOLVED – That the report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance) on appointments be approved, subject to an amendment to paragraph 1.2; the appointments approved were as follows:-

- Cllr Morgan replaces Cllr J Harper on Scrutiny Board (Children's Services).
- Cllr A Hussain replaces Cllr A McKenna on Scrutiny Board (Health)
- Cllr Taggart replaces Cllr G Harper on Plans Panel (City Centre)
- Cllr Nash replaces Cllr Mulherin on Development Plans Panel
- Cllr W Hyde replaces Councillor Anderson on West Yorkshire Integrated Transport Authority.

26 Variation of Order of Business

It was moved by Councillor Gruen and seconded by Councillor Lobley that, under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 2.3, the recommendations of the General Purposes Committee be heard next.

RESOLVED – To vary the order of business to allow the recommendations of the General Purposes Committee to be heard next.

27 Recommendation of the General Purposes Committee

It was moved by Councillor Wakefield seconded by Councillor Blake and

RESOLVED – That Council approve the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee that Council Procedure Rule 11.6 be amended to allow, at the close of question time, the question in progress to be dealt with in full, including the asking and response to any supplementary question.

28 Questions

- 1) Councillor A Carter to the Executive Member (Development & Regeneration).

Can the Executive Board Member for City Development confirm that the reduction he has agreed in spending on highway maintenance is the £476,000 outlined in the Executive Board Report that went to the August cycle

The Executive Member (Development & Regeneration) replied.

- 2) Councillor Harris to the Executive Member (Environmental Services).

Can the Executive Board Member for Environmental Services please confirm if the figures highlighted in the YEP on 8th July 2010 regarding the cost to the council of the bin strike last year are correct?

The Executive Member (Environmental Services) replied.

- 3) Councillor Dobson to the Executive Member (Neighbourhoods and Housing).

Would the Executive Member for Environment & Neighbourhoods please confirm the cost to the Council of Court Orders and cleanups in respect of traveller encampments since 2004?

The Executive Member (Neighbourhoods and Housing) replied.

- 4) Councillor G Hussain to the Executive Member (Children's Services).

Would the Executive Member for Children's Services care to comment on the impact of the threatened cut in funding to the national Playbuilder scheme on proposed projects across Leeds?

The Executive Member (Children's Services) replied.

- 5) Councillor A Carter to the Executive Member (Environmental Services).

Will the Executive Board Member for Environmental Services confirm that savings to the City Council (and therefore the council tax payer) that will result from the re-routing of the refuse collection service and other related issues are now estimated at around £2.4million per annum?

The Executive Member (Environmental Services) replied.

- 6) Councillor Monaghan to the Executive Member (Environmental Services).

Can the Executive Board Member for Environmental Services provide an update on the progress of implementing the streetscene change programme?

The Executive Member (Environmental Services) replied.

- 7) Councillor Dunn to the Executive Member (Children's Services).

Would the Executive Member for Children's Services care to comment on the recently announced A Level and GCSE results?

The Executive Member (Children's Services) replied.

- 8) Councillor Groves to the Executive Member (Leisure)

Could the Executive Board Member for Leisure please update Council on the plan to renovate Middleton Park?

The Executive Member (Leisure) replied.

- 9) Councillor W Hyde to the Executive Member (Neighbourhoods and Housing).

Can the Executive Board Member for Neighbourhoods & Housing confirm where he plans to locate the administration's new gypsy and traveller accommodation?

The Executive Member (Neighbourhoods and Housing) replied.

At the conclusion of question time, the following questions remained unanswered and it was noted that under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 11.6, written answers would be sent to each Member of Council:

10. Cllr Cleasby to the Executive Member (Adult Social Care).
11. Councillor Maqsood to the Executive Member (Neighbourhood and Housing).
12. Councillor G Harper to the Executive Member (Development & Regeneration).
13. Councillor Lobley to the Executive Member (Adult Social Care).
14. Councillor Pryke to the Executive Member (Environmental Services).
15. Councillor Pryke to the Executive Member (Neighbourhood and Housing).
16. Councillor Cleasby to the Executive Member (Environmental Services).
17. Councillor Pryke to the Executive Member (Environmental Services)
18. Councillor Monaghan to the Executive Member (Environmental Services).
19. Councillor Pryke to the Executive Member (Neighbourhood and Housing).
20. Councillor Ewens to the Executive Member (Leisure).
21. Councillor Monaghan to the Executive Member (Environmental Services).
22. Councillor Ewens to the Leader of Council.

29 Minutes

It was moved by Councillor Wakefield, seconded by Councillor Gruen that the minutes be received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.2(i).

An amendment (reference back) was moved by Councillor Golton and seconded by Councillor J Procter to add the following at the end of item 8:-

'but to ask the Executive Board to reconsider the decisions (a, b, c) in relation to the '(b) Reduction in Grants: Implications for Services', as contained in minute 71, page 46/47 of the Executive Board minutes of 25th August 2010.

The amendment was declared lost and, upon being put to the vote, it was

RESOLVED – That the minutes be received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.2(i).

Council Procedure Rule 4 providing for the winding up of business was applied prior to all notified comments on the minutes having been debated.

On the requisitions of Councillors J Procter and J L Carter, the voting on the amendment (reference back) was recorded as follows:-

PRESENT - 95

YES

Anderson, Barker, Bentley, Brett, Campbell, A Carter, J L Carter, Castle, Chapman, Chastney, Cleasby, Downes, Ewens, Mrs R Feldman, R D Feldman, Fox, Golton, M Hamilton, Harrand, Harris, W Hyde, Kendall, Kirkland, Lamb, Lancaster, G Latty, P Latty, Lobley, Marjoram, Matthews, Monaghan, J Procter, R Procter, Pryke, Robinson, Schofield, A Taylor, Townsley, Wilkinson, Wilson, Wood.

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NO

Akhtar, Armitage, Atha, A Blackburn, D Blackburn, Blake, Congreve, Coulson, Davey, Dobson, Dowson, Driver, Dunn, Gabriel, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, Gruen, S Hamilton, Hanley, Hardy, G Harper, J Harper, A Hussain, G Hussain, G Hyde, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jarosz, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, A McKenna, Morgan, Mulherin, Murray, Nash, Ogilvie, Parker, Rafique, Renshaw, Selby, Taggart, E Taylor, Wakefield, Yeadon.

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ABSTAIN

Elliott, Finnigan, Gettings, Grayshon, Leadley, Varley.

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30 Motion to Suspend Council Procedure Rules

During the debate under minute 29, above, the following motions to suspend Council Procedure Rules were moved:-

a) Meeting adjournment

It was moved by Council Golton and seconded by Councillor J Procter that under Council Procedure Rule 13.2(h) the meeting be adjourned to allow consideration to be given to the provision of the exempt information which related to the reference back as detailed within minute 29.

Upon being put to the vote, the motion was declared lost.

On the requisition of Councillors J Procter and J L Carter, the voting on the motion to adjourn the meeting was recorded as follows:-

PRESENT - 98

YES

Anderson, Barker, Bentley, Brett, Campbell, A Carter, J L Carter, Castle, Chapman, Chastney, Cleasby, Downes, Ewens, Mrs R Feldman, R D Feldman, Fox, Golton, M Hamilton, Harrand, Harris, W Hyde, Kendall, Kirkland, Lamb, Lancaster, G Latty, P Latty, Lobley, Marjoram, Matthews, Monaghan, J Procter, R Procter, Pryke, Robinson, Schofield, Smith, A Taylor, Townsley, Wilkinson, Wilson, Wood, Vote of the Lord Mayor.

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NO

Akhtar, Armitage, Atha, Atkinson, A Blackburn, D Blackburn, Blake, Congreve, Coulson, Davey, Dobson, Dowson, Driver, Dunn, Gabriel, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, Gruen, S Hamilton, Hanley, Hardy, G Harper, J Harper, A Hussain, G Hussain, G Hyde, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jarosz, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, A McKenna, Morgan, Mulherin, Murray, Nash, Ogilvie, Parker, Rafique, Renshaw, Selby, Taggart, E Taylor, Wakefield, Yeadon.

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ABSTAIN

Elliott, Finnigan, Gettings, Grayshon, Leadley, Varley.

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b) Change to Order of Business

It was moved by Councillor Lobley and seconded by Councillor Bentley, that under Council Procedure Rule 13.2(c), the order of business be changed to enable consideration of the amendment (reference back) in the name of Councillor Robinson at the completion of the first amendment (reference back) in the name of Councillor Golton.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was declared lost.

On the requisition of Councillors J Procter and J L Carter, the voting on the motion to change the order of business was recorded as follows:-

PRESENT - 96

YES

Anderson, Barker, Bentley, Brett, Campbell, A Carter, J L Carter, Castle, Chapman, Chastney, Cleasby, Downes, Elliott, Ewens, Mrs R Feldman, R D Feldman, Finnigan, Fox, Gettings, Golton, Grayshon, M Hamilton, Harrand, Harris, W Hyde, Kendall, Kirkland, Lamb, Lancaster, G Latty, P Latty, Leadley, Lobley, Marjoram, Matthews, Monaghan, J Procter, R Procter, Pryke, Robinson, Schofield, A Taylor, Townsley, Varley, Wilkinson, Wilson, Wood.

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NO

Akhtar, Armitage, Atha, Atkinson, A Blackburn, D Blackburn, Blake, Congreve, Coulson, Davey, Dobson, Dowson, Driver, Dunn, Gabriel, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, Gruen, S Hamilton, Hanley, Hardy, G Harper, J Harper, A Hussain, G Hussain, G Hyde, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jarosz, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, A McKenna, Morgan, Mulherin, Murray, Nash, Ogilvie, Parker, Rafique, Renshaw, Selby, Taggart, E Taylor, Wakefield, Yeadon.

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ABSTAIN

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c) Suspend Time Limits

It was moved by Councillor Lobley seconded by Councillor Bentley that, under Council Procedure Rule 22.1, Procedure Rule 3.1 be suspended to allow the amendment (reference back) in the name of Councillor Robinson to be heard.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was declared lost.

On the requisition of Councillors J Procter and J L Carter, the voting on the motion to suspend time limits was recorded as follows:-

PRESENT - 96

YES

Anderson, Barker, Bentley, Brett, Campbell, A Carter, J L Carter, Castle, Chapman, Chastney, Cleasby, Downes, Elliott, Ewens, Mrs R Feldman, R D Feldman, Finnigan, Fox, Gettings, Golton, Grayshon, M Hamilton, Harrand, Harris, W Hyde, Kendall, Kirkland, Lamb, Lancaster, G Latty, P Latty, Leadley, Lobley, Marjoram, Matthews, Monaghan, J Procter, R Procter, Pryke, Robinson, Schofield, A Taylor, Townsley, Varley, Wilkinson, Wilson, Wood.

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NO

Akhtar, Armitage, Atha, Atkinson, A Blackburn, D Blackburn, Blake, Congreve, Coulson, Davey, Dobson, Dowson, Driver, Dunn, Gabriel, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, Gruen, S Hamilton, Hanley, Hardy, G Harper, J Harper, A Hussain, G Hussain, G Hyde, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jarosz, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, A McKenna, Morgan, Mulherin, Murray, Nash, Ogilvie, Parker, Rafique, Renshaw, Selby, Taggart, E Taylor, Wakefield, Yeadon.

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ABSTAIN

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(The meeting was suspended at 5.40 pm and resumed at 6.05 pm.)

31 White Paper Motion - Budget Deficit

It was moved by Councillor A Carter seconded by Councillor Golton that this Council recognises that addressing the budget deficit will provide significant challenges to Leeds City Council and our partners in the public and voluntary sector. Denying the deficit and ignoring the very real economic problems left by the last Government would be a disaster not only for Leeds but for the country as a whole.

This Council therefore notes with dismay that the first 100 days of this Labour administration have been a lost opportunity, marked by procrastination, delay and failure to consult on key decisions.

This Council therefore resolves to support the new Chief Executive in identifying efficiencies away from the frontline that will enable the authority to play its part in reducing public expenditure while maintaining essential services.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Wakefield seconded by Councillor Taggart to delete all after [...voluntary sector] and add:-

'This Council notes that the budget deficits inherited from the previous Administration, in Adult Social Care and Children's Services, have put the Council under severe financial pressure.

This Council further notes with dismay, therefore, the devastating impact of the Government requirement to make over £25m of cuts to grants for Leeds in this financial year. This has meant no time for proper consultation with the services provided by the public and voluntary sectors in the City, who care for some of our most vulnerable people.

However, this Council resolves to work with the new Chief Executive and all Council staff to identify efficiencies that will enable the Authority to maintain essential protection for the young, the elderly, the vulnerable and assist the unemployed, whilst reducing public expenditure.'

On the casting vote of the Lord Mayor, the amendment was carried. Upon being put as the substantive motion, on the casting vote of the Lord Mayor it was.

RESOLVED – That this Council recognises that addressing the budget deficit will provide significant challenges to Leeds City Council and our partners in the public and voluntary sector

This Council notes that the budget deficits inherited from the previous Administration, in Adult Social Care and Children's Services, have put the Council under severe financial pressure.

This Council further notes with dismay, therefore, the devastating impact of the Government requirement to make over £25m of cuts to grants for Leeds in this financial year. This has meant no time for proper consultation with the services provided by the public and voluntary sectors in the City, who care for some of our most vulnerable people.

However, this Council resolves to work with the new Chief Executive and all Council staff to identify efficiencies that will enable the Authority to maintain essential protection for the young, the elderly, the vulnerable and assist the unemployed, whilst reducing public expenditure.

On the requisition of Councillors Lobley and Robinson the voting on the amendment in the name of Councillor Wakefield was recorded as follows:-

PRESENT - 96

YES

Akhtar, Armitage, Atha, Blake, Congreve, Coulson, Davey, Dobson, Dowson, Driver, Dunn, Gabriel, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, Gruen, S Hamilton, Hanley, Hardy, G Harper, J Harper, A Hussain, G Hussain, G Hyde, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jarosz, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, A McKenna, Morgan, Mulherin, Murray, Nash, Ogilvie, Parker, Rafique, Renshaw, Selby, Taggart, E Taylor, Wakefield, Yeadon, Vote of the Lord Mayor.

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NO

Anderson, Barker, Bentley, Brett, Campbell, A Carter, J L Carter, Castle, Chapman, Chastney, Cleasby, Downes, Elliott, Ewens, Mrs R Feldman, R D Feldman, Finnigan, Fox, Gettings, Golton, Grayshon, M Hamilton, Harrand, Harris, W Hyde, Kendall,

Kirkland, Lamb, Lancaster, G Latty, P Latty, Lobley, Marjoram, Matthews, Monaghan, J Procter, R Procter, Pryke, Robinson, Schofield, Smith, A Taylor, Townsley, Varley, Wilkinson, Wilson, Wood.

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ABSTAIN

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Blackburn A, Blackburn D.

On the requisition of Councillors J Procter and J L Carter the voting on the substantive motion was recorded as follows:-

PRESENT - 96

YES

Akhtar, Armitage, Atha, Blake, Congreve, Coulson, Davey, Dobson, Dowson, Driver, Dunn, Gabriel, P Grahame, R Grahame, Groves, Gruen, S Hamilton, Hanley, Hardy, G Harper, J Harper, A Hussain, G Hussain, G Hyde, Illingworth, Iqbal, Jarosz, J Lewis, R Lewis, Lowe, Lyons, Maqsood, A McKenna, Morgan, Mulherin, Murray, Nash, Ogilvie, Parker, Rafique, Renshaw, Selby, Taggart, E Taylor, Wakefield, Yeadon, Vote of the Lord Mayor.

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NO

Anderson, Barker, Bentley, Brett, Campbell, A Carter, J L Carter, Castle, Chapman, Chastney, Cleasby, Downes, Elliott, Ewens, Mrs R Feldman, R D Feldman, Finnigan, Fox, Gettings, Golton, Grayshon, M Hamilton, Harrand, Harris, W Hyde, Kendall, Kirkland, Lamb, Lancaster, G Latty, P Latty, Lobley, Marjoram, Matthews, Monaghan, J Procter, R Procter, Pryke, Robinson, Schofield, Smith, A Taylor, Townsley, Varley, Wilkinson, Wilson, Wood.

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ABSTAIN

Blackburn A, Blackburn D.

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(The Provision of Council Procedure Rule 3.1(d) was applied at the conclusion of the debate on this motion.)

32 White Paper Motion - Police Accountability

Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 14.10, leave of Council was given to alter the motion in the name of Councillor Lowe to subsume the amendment in the name of Councillor J L Carter.

Under the Provision of Council Procedure Rule 14.11, with the consent of the seconder, leave of Council was given to Councillor J L Carter to withdraw the amendment in his name.

It was moved by Councillor Lowe seconded by Councillor J L Carter and

RESOLVED That this Council opposes any plans to scrap Police Authorities.

This Council notes that the Government's plans would mean a Commissioner in West Yorkshire having responsibility for an area covering 23 parliamentary

constituencies, three cities and two major towns and therefore considers this might adversely affect the ambition for greater local accountability.

Council therefore resolves that greater consideration should be given to how local accountability can be strengthened. This Council recognises the need for increased police accountability to encourage greater public confidence in both local and national policing but feels that Elected Members have a very important role to play in this which would be lost if Police Authorities were scrapped.

This Council therefore calls on the Chief Executive and all Leeds MPs to write to the Home Secretary setting out our opposition to any plan to abolish police authorities.

33 White Paper Motion - World Cup 2018 'Back the Bid' Campaign

It was moved by Councillor Ogilvie seconded by Councillor Mulherin and

RESOLVED – That this Council pledges its full and unequivocal support to England's 'Back the bid campaign' to host the football World Cup in 2018.

This Council expresses its great pride that Leeds has been nominated as a host city for the tournament which underlines its position as one of the country's premier sporting venues.

Furthermore, this Council recognises the positive economic benefits and exposure that hosting this prestigious global event will bring to our city.

Council rose at 7.55 pm.