

An Extraordinary meeting of the Council will be held in the Civic Hall, Leeds on Wednesday, 7th September, 2011 at 2.00 pm

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

1. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of interest from Members.

2. Minutes

To further consider the minutes received at the meeting held on the 13th July 2011.

3. White Paper Motion - Trade Union Facilities

To consider the White Paper Motion in the name of Councillor A Lamb, the debate in respect of which was adjourned at the Council meeting of 13th July 2011:

‘This Council understands and recognises the valuable role played by Trades Unions in ensuring effective industrial relations and reaffirms the principle of providing reasonable support to Trades Unions including time off for stewards for this purpose.

However, this council believes that given the current state of the public finances taxpayer subsidy of full time Trade Union officials should now be brought to an end. The £417,000 annual cost to taxpayers in Leeds for 15 full time convenors is now unjustifiable both in terms of the massive budget pressure faced by Leeds City Council and the programme of cuts to frontline services currently being undertaken by the Labour administration.

This Council also notes the wider context of the huge donations that Trade Unions are able to offer to the Labour Party.’

A LAMB

Chief Executive