

COUNCIL MEETING – 13 NOVEMBER 2013

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper	WP2	04/11/13	04/11/13

Submitted by:	Cllr G Hyde
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Leader of Council
Relevant Director	Chief Executive

This Council notes with alarm the speed with which the privatisation of Royal Mail was implemented and the potential risk that may now pose to jobs and post offices in Leeds.

Members remain deeply concerned that the financial undervaluing of the organisation has denied the Government much needed capital funds at a time of hugely damaging budget cuts elsewhere in the public sector.

The rush to privatise the organisation has irreparably damaged industrial relations and risks residents and businesses receiving a poorer service at increased cost.

Council remains concerned that our local communities, particularly in rural areas, could see post offices close and the current 6 days-a-week universal service under threat.

Council requests that the Chief Executive writes to the Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills and to all Leeds MPs to make its concerns clear.

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by: n/a

Deadlines for submission

White Papers - *10.00 am on the day before the issue of the Summons
 Questions - 10.00 am on Monday prior to meeting
 Amendments - 1.30 pm on Tuesday prior to meeting
 (including references back)

(All submissions should be made to Governance Services for receipt to be recorded and distribution made)

*Usually the Monday of the week prior to a Wednesday meeting.

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