

**COUNCIL MEETING – 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2020**

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper Amendment	A2 to WP1	14/7/20	14/7/20

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Submitted by: Councillor Jonathan Pryor  
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board  
 Executive Member/Chair: Executive Member (Learning, Skills and Employment)  
 Relevant Director: Director of Children and Families

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Delete all after ‘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.’ And add:

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Council recognises Government’s recent announcement of £1bn to fund the rebuilding of 50 schools but notes no schools have yet been identified and further notes that the funding is to be spread over the next ten years. Council further acknowledges the £560m announced for repairs and upgrades but notes that the National Audit Office issued a report in 2017 stating that £6.76bn was needed to bring schools in England up to a satisfactory standard. Given Leeds has a backlog of repairs totalling around £100m for which the Local Authority receive just £6.1m, in addition to two secondary schools in need of a complete rebuild, Council believes the Government need to go further with their funding commitments.

The provision and maintenance of school buildings are key to providing a good education and so Council recognises that the Executive Member has once again written to Government to ask them to provide the funding that is needed to rebuild both Wetherby and Royds High Schools in addition to committing to providing sufficient funding for repairs across the schools estate and to do so as a matter of urgency.

Full motion would then read:

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#### Deadlines for submission

White Papers	- 10.00 am on the day before the issue of the Summons
Questions	- 10.00 am on Monday before the meeting
Amendments (including references back)	- 10.00 am on the day before the meeting

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

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