

COUNCIL MEETING – 11TH NOVEMBER 2020

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper	WP1	2/11/20	3/11/20

Submitted by: Councillor Amanda Carter
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Executive Member (Communities)
 Relevant Director: Director of Communities and Environment

This Council notes that the Managed Approach in Holbeck continues to be deeply controversial with local communities and businesses, with a number of protest groups having voiced their concerns.

Whilst the Independent Review into its future concluded that the Approach should continue with changes, Council is concerned that only a small fraction of the residents and businesses in the area had their views recorded in the survey, and Council notes that the Review itself conceded that the findings could not be taken as representative of the people of Holbeck. Crucially, Council remains concerned that no action appears to have been taken to address child safeguarding concerns raised by schools in the area.

Given the significant and demonstrable deficit in local engagement, Council is not satisfied that the recommendation to continue with the Managed Approach is based on a sound understanding of the impact on the local community and their concerns. Council calls on the administration to bring forward detailed plans for how it can listen and engage with local communities about the future of the Managed Approach.

In order to be in a position to respond to concerns about the Managed Approach, Council requests that a regular report is brought to Executive Board which should include updates on: the support available for the women; community feedback; Police input; and options for both reducing the size of the area and considering an “exit strategy” from the Managed Approach policy entirely.

Councillor Amanda Carter

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 - 10.00 am on the day before the meeting

(including references back)

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