

COUNCIL MEETING – 13TH JANUARY 2021

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White Paper Amendment	A2 to WP2	12/1/21	12/1/21

Submitted by:	Councillor Stewart Golton
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Leader of Council
Relevant Director	Chief Executive

Delete second paragraph and replace with “Council also notes the active role our armed forces play in maintaining peace worldwide, and our recent award of the freedom of the city to the 4th Battalion, The Parachute Regiment in recognition of this.”

Amend the following line to read, “Council recognises the need to invest in our national defence as a deterrent to threats beyond these shores, and calls on the United Kingdom government to prevent both nuclear and conventional conflict by:

Replace the original three bullet points with

- “Committing to the principle of collective self-defence as laid out in the North Atlantic Treaty and spending two per cent of GDP on defence in line with NATO recommendations
- Maintaining a minimum nuclear deterrent, while pursuing multilateral nuclear disarmament,
- Promoting an international treaty on the principles and limits of the use of technology in modern warfare, and recognise the expansion of warfare into the cybersphere by investing in our security and intelligence services and acting to counter cyberattacks.”

Delete the last sentence of the final paragraph.

The Amended motion reads:

Leeds City Council is a member of the UK & Ireland Nuclear Free Local Authorities (NFLA) and the Hiroshima-led Mayors for Peace; both of which have been working for 4 decades to promote multilateral nuclear disarmament.

Council also notes the active role our armed forces play in maintaining peace worldwide, and our recent award of the freedom of the city to the 4th Parachute Regiment in recognition of this.

Council recognises the need to invest in our national defence as a deterrent to threats beyond these shores, and calls on the United Kingdom government to prevent both nuclear and conventional conflict by:

- Committing to the principle of collective self-defence as laid out in the North Atlantic Treaty and spending two per cent of GDP on defence in line with NATO recommendations
- Maintaining a minimum nuclear deterrent, while pursuing multilateral nuclear disarmament,
- Promoting an international treaty on the principles and limits of the use of technology in modern warfare, and recognise the expansion of warfare into the cybersphere by investing in our security and intelligence services and acting to counter cyberattacks.

Council therefore requests that the Chief Executive writes to the Prime Minister to inform him of this resolution and urge him to take account of it.



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)
