

COUNCIL MEETING – 11th SEPTEMBER 2024

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White Paper	WP3	2/9/24	3/9/24

Submitted by: Councillor Salma Arif
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Executive Member (Equality, Health and Wellbeing)
 Relevant Director: Director of Communities, Housing and Environment

This Council is proud to represent a city built on the values of unity, acceptance and togetherness and believes these values are key to promoting community cohesion and resisting those who seek to create division and undermine community relations.

Council welcomes Executive Board’s agreement at its July meeting to zero tolerance to all forms of discrimination and hatred, including discrimination based on religion such as anti-muslim prejudice, antisemitism, or any other religious prejudice. Council further welcomes the Administration’s commitment to deliver a new cohesion strategy for Leeds that will be shaped with input from community groups, stakeholders, partners and young people, and will be reported to future meetings.

Council is grateful to those working to safeguard vulnerable people, the police, community leaders, third sector organisations, local councillors, council staff and other agencies for their response to incidents over summer, and for their ongoing work to support community relations and keep our city safe.

Council believes the existing strong local partnerships with community and faith leaders are a huge asset in Leeds and we will continue working alongside all partners to show resilience, strength and solidarity. Council is clear that racism, prejudice, intolerance and hatred have no place in Leeds and Council reaffirms our commitment to the values of unity, acceptance, togetherness and celebrating diversity.



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)

