

COUNCIL MEETING –15th January 2025

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper Amendment	A1 TO WP1	14/1/25	14/1/25

Submitted by:	Councillor Stewart Golton
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Executive Member (Adult Social Care, Active Lifestyles and Culture)
Relevant Director	Director of Adults and Health

In the first paragraph delete everything after ‘This Council...’ and replace with ‘condemns the failure of five consecutive Conservative Prime Ministers to fulfil promises to ‘fix’ the growing crisis in care under their leadership.’

In the second paragraph, insert at the beginning ‘This Council is further alarmed that...’. Also, remove the words ‘empty vessels’ and replace with ‘no better than their predecessors’

Delete the whole of the third paragraph

In the fifth paragraph add an ‘s’ on the end of ‘budget’, and after “Neighbourhood Networks” insert ‘and commissioned care providers’.

In the sixth paragraph, after Council, insert ‘therefore’, and after ‘calls on the...’ insert ‘Government to heed the advice of Sir Andrew Dilnot that the need for social care reform is “bleedin’ obvious” and to show political leadership by committing to begin discussing with all parties the feasibility of implementing the reforms he recommended in his 2011 report. Council further calls on the...’

The amended White Paper motion would then read:

This Council condemns the failure of five consecutive Conservative Prime Ministers to fulfil promises to ‘fix’ the growing crisis in care under their leadership.

This Council is further alarmed that despite promises to reform adult social care, Labour Ministers have proven to be no better than their predecessors now they are in power, with reforms kicked into the long grass and yet another expensive commission not due to report until the end of this Parliament.

Council notes the loss of the winter fuel payment and the harm inflicted upon the third sector, including charities and advocacy groups, brought on by, amongst other burdens, the increase in employers’ national insurance contributions, will make a difficult situation even worse for the sector. Council supports the lobbying of former Labour Councillor Kim Groves, now Chair of Third Sector Leeds, who is calling on the Chancellor to exempt the voluntary, community and social enterprise sector from increased national insurance costs.

Furthermore, Council rejects the Administration’s proposal to cut the budgets of the city’s much-valued Neighbourhood Networks and commissioned care providers and believes these organisations need support to provide help for older people given new pressures arising from government actions.

Council therefore calls on the Government to heed the advice of Sir Andrew Dilnot that the need for social care reform is “bleedin’ obvious” and to show political leadership by committing to begin discussing with all parties the feasibility of implementing the reforms he recommended in his 2011 report. Council further

calls on the Administration to abandon its plans to make cuts to Neighbourhood Networks and requests a report to Executive Board detailing the cost of increasing employers' national insurance contributions within the sector and the impact of delaying reforms to adult social care.

Proposed by:

Seconded by:



Cllr Stewart Golton

Cllr Ryk Downes

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)
