

**COUNCIL MEETING –15th January 2025**

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper Amendment	A4 TO WP2	14/1/25	14/1/25

Submitted by: Councillor Debra Coupar  
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board  
 Executive Member/Chair: Executive Member (Communities, Customer Services and Community Safety)  
 Relevant Director: Director of Communities, Housing and Environment

Delete all and replace with:

“This Council agrees with the WASPI campaign that changes to pension laws in 1995 and 2011 implemented under Conservative and Liberal Democrat Governments unfairly impacted women born in the 1950s, especially the short notice they were given to put plans in place to mitigate the unexpected loss of pension.

Council notes the perilous state of the national economy left by the outgoing Conservative Government six months ago, underlined by the £22bn black hole in the public finances, and the incoming Labour Government’s commitment to stabilise the economy and improve the outlook for all including pensioners.

Council welcomes the Labour Government’s £31bn commitment to the pensions triple lock which will increase the state pension by more than £470 a year from April, supporting pensioners in communities across Leeds.

Council also welcomes the additional £7.1m the Government allocated to support vulnerable residents in Leeds this winter through the Household Support Fund, including additional support for low income pensioners.

Council endorses the Age Friendly Leeds Partnership’s submission to the inquiry by the cross party Work and Pensions Select Committee into pensioner poverty and calls on the Government to fully consider the recommendations from the committee to see what more can be done to support pensioners in poverty when they are published. Council further asks that the Government look into the concerns raised by the WASPI campaign.”



**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)

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