

COUNCIL MEETING – 15TH JANUARY 2020

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper Amendment	A2 to WP1	14/1/20	14/1/20

Submitted by:	Councillor Jonathan Bentley
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Executive Member (Climate Change, Transport & Sustainable Development)
Relevant Director	Director of City Development

In the first paragraph delete all after “concerned” and replace with:

“about the traffic congestion throughout Leeds leading to significant health risks from the resultant pollution.”

In the second paragraph, after “productivity” insert:

“and to meet the challenges of climate change”

Insert a new sixth paragraph as follows:

“However, Council recognises that large infrastructure projects have very long lead times so in order to meet the imminent challenges of climate change Council commits to plan for the introduction of a range of other measures deliverable in the short term such as more Park and Ride sites and a possible Workplace Parking Levy in the city centre.”

Remove the final paragraph and replace with:

“Council calls for a report to be brought to the March Executive Board meeting setting out detailed plans for long term and short term measures which can be delivered to all communities in the city and to include an analysis of the potential benefits such schemes could deliver in terms of reducing the carbon footprint in Leeds.”

The amended White Paper will then read:

“This Council is concerned about the traffic congestion throughout Leeds leading to significant health risks from the resultant pollution.

Council notes the investment being made through Connecting Leeds, including the £173.5m granted by Government, but believes that to get the city moving and to encourage greater growth and productivity and to meet the challenges of climate change a new approach to public transport, not wholly reliant on the bus, is required.

This Council therefore welcomes the Government commitment to spend £4.2bn on public transport projects outside of London and notes that some of this funding is planned for the Leeds district.

Council believes this offers a new opportunity to deliver a mass transit scheme for the city which will deliver obvious economic benefits as well as significantly reducing the city's carbon emissions in line with the declared Climate Emergency.

Council further believes that all areas of the city should be considered for mass transit infrastructure and is concerned that existing WYCA proposals seem to omit North Leeds, and the potential links to Harrogate, York and Wetherby, from any new transport infrastructure plans.

However, Council recognises that large infrastructure projects have very long lead times so in order to meet the imminent challenges of climate change Council commits to plan for the introduction of a range of other measures deliverable in the short term such as more Park and Ride sites and a possible Workplace Parking Levy in the city centre.

Council calls for a report to be brought to the March Executive Board meeting setting out detailed plans for long term and short term measures which can be delivered to all communities in the city and to include an analysis of the potential benefits such schemes could deliver in terms of reducing the carbon footprint in Leeds.”

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)
