

COUNCIL MEETING – 15TH JANUARY 2020

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper Amendment	A1 to WP2	14/1/20	14/1/20

Submitted by:	Councillor Chris Howley
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 “Yorkshire” and replace with:

“. It believes that the way forward is for West Yorkshire Combined Authority to take control of First’s operations and to be given franchising rights to control routes, frequency and ticketing of the bus services in West Yorkshire.”

In the second paragraph delete all after “disused” and replace with:

“/under used rail infrastructure along with the provision or re-provision of local railway stations including Wortley, Armley, Otley, Marsh Lane and Woodside Quarry.”

In the third paragraph remove “owned” and replace with “controlled”.

The amended White Paper will then read:

“Council notes the current uncertain situation with regard to First Bus and other bus operators in West Yorkshire. It believes that the way forward is for West Yorkshire Combined Authority to take control of First’s operations and to be given franchising rights to control routes, frequency and ticketing of the bus services in West Yorkshire.

Council also believes that appropriate funding should be made available to bring back into operation disused/under used rail infrastructure along with the provision or re-provision of local railway stations including Wortley, Armley, Otley, Marsh Lane and Woodside Quarry.

It is Council’s view that only with vibrant publicly controlled bus services, running in the interest of the passenger, and expanded local rail services can Leeds (or for that matter, West Yorkshire) achieve a 21st Century public transport system that delivers for its citizens, helps to reduce congestion and is consistent with the aims of the Climate Emergency.

Council also notes that Prime Minister Boris Johnson has stated that he will transform transport in the North. Bearing this in mind Council, therefore, calls on the Chief Executive to write to the Prime Minister asking for the Government to support these aspirations, both in actions and funding.

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)
