

COUNCIL MEETING – 10th NOVEMBER 2021

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White Paper	WP1	1/11/21	2/11/21

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Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board

Executive Member/Chair: Executive Member (Environment and Housing)
Relevant Director Director of Communities, Housing and Environment

This Council regrets that the current Administration's delivery of affordable housing for the people of Leeds has been sub-optimal, and in particular has led to a worsening shortage of affordable homes to rent and buy:

The Council's mismanagement of the much-vaunted Council Housing Growth program has delivered considerably less than the promised 300 homes per year; The Housing Company promised to help deliver affordable homes has been abandoned before even being constituted; the tendency to accept commuted sums, and the Council's reliance on city centre schemes to achieve its citywide housing targets has allowed the lowest percentage of affordable homes built through private development for years.

Council therefore calls on the Administration to review its current Council Housing Growth Strategy to:

Vary the housing delivery options allowed within the business model; constitute a housing company to enable council housing growth opportunities in communities with little council owned land; commit to refurbishing properties to create new council housing; ensure that policy compliant affordable housing is built within and reflects the needs of individual local communities; commit to delivery of new Council housing in every Leeds City Council ward within the next five years.

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)