

COUNCIL MEETING – 23rd March 2022

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper Amendment	A3 to WP2	22/3/22	22/3/22

Submitted by:	Councillor Salma Arif
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Executive Member (Public Health and Active Lifestyles)
Relevant Director	Director of Communities, Housing and Environment

Delete All after the second paragraph and replace with: “Council supports further work with the forestry service to enable the effective management of the increased number of trees in communities in Leeds. Council welcomes the input of all members on the approach to tree management, and notes that Scrutiny Board (Environment, Housing and Communities) considered the Council’s tree management policy at its November 2021, as well as a Remote Working Group meeting in January 2022.

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Amended motion will read:

“This Council recognises the enormous environmental benefit of a large tree-planting programme. As well as providing a vital contribution to carbon capture and storage, tree planting plays an important role in improving biodiversity and making Leeds a cleaner, greener city to live in.

Council supports the aim to plant 50 hectares of woodland on council land every year until 2045, adding 5.6 million trees to the 1,400 hectares of woodland that it already manages.

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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)
