

COUNCIL MEETING – 23rd MARCH 2022

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper Amendment	A2 to WP3	22/03/2022	22/03/2022

Submitted by: Councillor Alan Lamb
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Executive Member (Communities)
 Relevant Director: Director of Communities, Housing and Environment

Delete all after “This Council” and replace with the following:

“notes the range of global factors affecting the cost of living for households nationally and in Leeds and welcomes the actions being taken by the government in response.

“Council welcomes government action that will see a £150 non-repayable reduction in Council Tax bills for all households in Bands A-D in England.

“Council welcomes the unprecedented levels of support provided by the government through the pandemic. In addition, measures announced by the government in the Autumn Budget will help vulnerable households, such as increasing the National Living Wage to £9.50 an hour this April and fuel duty being frozen for the twelfth year in a row.

“In addition Council welcomes the following government support:

- Holiday Activities and Food programme, worth up to £220m, providing activities and healthy meals to children over the school holidays;
- £140 million in Discretionary Housing Payments supporting families with rent or housing costs, and an extra £65m to support low-income households with rent debts;
- Increased generosity of the Local Housing Allowance for housing benefit, with more than 1.5m households benefiting from an additional £600 a year.

“Council recognises that more action may be necessary from the government to address cost of living concerns, however this Council will not take lessons on reducing the financial burden on Leeds’ residents from an administration that took its own local decision to increase council tax this year.”



Councillor Alan Lamb

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)

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