

**COUNCIL MEETING – 13th SEPTEMBER 2023**

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
White Paper Amendment	A2 to WP2	12/9/23	12/9/23

Submitted by: Councillor Sam Firth  
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board  
 Executive Member/Chair: Executive Member (Economy, Culture and Education )  
 Relevant Director: Director of City Development

Delete all after “This Council” and replace with:

“welcomes recent statistics published by the independent Office for National Statistics, which show the British economy is now 0.6 per cent bigger than before the global COVID pandemic; growing faster than Germany, France and Japan.

“Council notes this has been the pattern since 2010, with the U.K. economy outperforming all expectations and rejecting the declinist narrative of opposition commentators.

“Although the effects of the global pandemic still plague economies worldwide, Council believes the Leeds economy is best placed to continue growing if the government continues its focus on high growth sectors - technology, life sciences, finance, clean energy and advanced manufacturing.

“Council urges the government to bring forward plans in the forthcoming King’s Speech to deliver further supply side reforms: expanding childcare, helping people into work, including those on long-term sick, small business rate reform, and reducing personal taxation.

“With just over a year to go until the next U.K. General Election, Council calls on all opposition parties to finally share their own economic plans with voters: will they take the difficult decisions needed to deliver supply side reform and keep the U.K. economy growing, or will they revert to simply pumping £100 billion of borrowed money into the economy?”



Councillor Sam Firth

**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)

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