



**EARSWICK
PARISH COUNCIL**

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Earswick Parish Draft Neighbourhood Plan

Dear Fellow Resident,

The Earswick Neighbourhood Plan is now entering the formal Pre-Submission Consultation Stage. This means that the Parish Council is satisfied that it has a robust draft plan and now invites residents, landowners, businesses and agencies to give their views.

There will be a six week period to do this commencing on 20th November 2016 and closing on 7th January 2017.

An exhibition of the draft plan will be held on Monday 12th December 2016 in the Earswick Village Hall between 10.30am-12.30pm and 2-4pm.

Hard copies of the Draft Plan and Representation Forms can be requested from:

The Clerk to the Council, Joanne Fisher: Tel: 01904 758615 or email: earswickclerk@aol.com

The Draft Plan, Representation Forms and other background documents are also available for viewing and downloading from the Earswick Parish Council website:

www.earswick.org

A Representation Form is available for comments, but the Parish Council also welcomes comments by email or in writing. Please return completed forms and other comments in writing to:

The Clerk to the Council, Joanne Fisher, 24 Lock House Lane, Earswick, York, YO32 9FT.

Following the public consultation process on the Draft Neighbourhood Plan, the Plan will be amended and submitted to City of York Council together with supporting documentation, including a Basic Conditions Statement and Consultation Statement setting out who has been consulted, how the consultation has been undertaken and how the representations received have informed the Plan.

City of York Council will then re-consult, before the Plan is subjected to an Examination by an Independent Examiner. Once any further amendments have been made to the Plan it will be subjected to a local referendum, and then "Made" by City of York Council and used to determine planning applications in Earswick Parish.

If you require any further information please contact the Parish Clerk at the address provided above.



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Draft Neighbourhood Plan

The principal aims of the Draft Earswick Neighbourhood Plan are to ensure that the Parish continues to be a safe and secure place in which to live, protect open space and the landscape, seek improvements to public transport facilities, road and footpath conditions, maintain and improve local facilities and deliver modest housing development (on brownfield sites) that is sensitive to the environment, infrastructure constraints and improves the quality of life of all current and future residents.

In order to achieve these aims, the Plan includes a number of development related policies that seek to:

- ☐ Protect the existing Green Belt
- ☐ Ensure that development is carefully controlled and takes place on sustainable brownfield sites;
- ☐ Protect the countryside and special landscape;
- ☐ Protect open spaces that are important to the community and/or wildlife;
- ☐ Ensure that development is of a type and scale appropriate to the character and infrastructure provision;
- ☐ Encourage development that meets local needs;
- ☐ Protect important community facilities; and
- ☐ Seek ways of addressing traffic issues.