

**Earswick Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan Working Party  
Record of Decisions of the Meeting held on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015**

Present: W. Gambold, F. Martin, G. Tate, J. McTurk, D Jones, Ian Yeowart, Sian Wiseman

**Apologies for Absence:**

J Williams

**Decisions taken:**

1. The resignation of Bev Rigg from the NPWP was noted. The Chair expressed his thanks to Bev for her contribution to the group. This was echoed by the other members.
2. The NPWP were delighted with the high response from the residents' survey. Some 224 questionnaires had been returned, around 66% of the village and probably one of the highest percentages of returns in the country. The questionnaires were passed onto Yourlocale, unopened, for analysis.
3. The draft stakeholders' letter was approved and it was noted that Rebecca Harrison from City of York Council (CYC) would be contacting landowners and relevant developers direct on behalf of the Earswick Working Party.
4. An initial bid for funding in the sum of £4,000 had been submitted to Locality.
5. Concern was expressed at the delay by CYC of publishing the neighbourhood area application. Sian Wiseman to contact Rebecca Harrison of CYC as a matter of urgency.
6. It was noted that the first meeting of the new Local Plan Working Party had taken place but no firm figures on the number of new houses required over the next 15 years were available.
7. Andrew Towlerton confirmed that the results from the residents' survey would be available for the group's next meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October.
8. It was noted that only three enquiries had been received via the working party's mailbox and these had been answered by the Chair.
9. There had been very few problems encountered with the survey although a few people thought that it had been slanted in favour of building whilst others had thought the opposite. The question of numbering the forms and whether or not to allow one form per elector will be discussed prior to a follow up questionnaire being circulated.
10. Date of next meeting set for Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at Toad Hall.