



**INDEPENDENT SCRUTINY
FOR PARKING APPEALS
ON PRIVATE LAND**

NOTICE

It is with great regret that the ISPA board is announcing that a decision was taken at an emergency meeting of ISPA on 13 September 2016 that the board would cease its work on 23 September 2016.

The board did not take this decision lightly as it feels since it was formed in February 2014 it has done some very good work to help to ensure the independence and effectiveness of the appeal service known as PoPLA. It has done this despite having none of the formal powers oversight bodies would normally expect to have, operating on a limited budget and working in a climate of uncertainty which meant it was never able to be sure how long it would be funded.

In recent months, however, the board has faced a number of challenges arising out of its lack of powers and its uncertain existence. The board took the view that these challenges were so great that it could not continue to operate and should be wound up.

ISPA has continued to lobby government to put in place an adequately funded body with legal powers of oversight. ISPA did not want to do anything that would make such a body's establishment less likely but, in the end, concluded it would not be fair to motorists, consumers and other stakeholders to continue when it could not carry out some of its core duties.

The board wishes to thank all those stakeholders who have contributed to the positive work it has undertaken in the past and who have supported its achievements.

**ISPA Board
September 2016**