



## Exeter City Council

A meeting of **EXETER CITY COUNCIL** will be held at the **GUILDHALL, HIGH STREET, EXETER** on **TUESDAY 8 APRIL 2014**, at 6.00 pm, at which you are hereby summoned to attend. The following business is proposed to be transacted:-

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To sign the minutes of the Special and Ordinary Meetings held on 25 February 2014.	5 - 12
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To receive minutes of the following Committees and to determine thereon:-	
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A plan of seating in the Guildhall is attached as an annexe

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Notice of Motion

a) Notice of Motion by Councillor Mitchell under Standing Order No. 6

Exeter City Council recognises the importance of its twinning relationship with Yaroslavl, Russia. The City Council recognises that this relationship is long-term and that it has been at its best when jointly we have put our people first, introducing them to new experiences and new friends. Our twinning relationship has helped us to meet, mix and get along, to share our ideas, our hopes and our fears and we have given each other support.

It is in this spirit that Exeter City Council raises concern over the treatment of Lesbian Gay Bi-sexual and Transgender (LGBT) people in Russia. In 2013, The Russian LGBT Network, an umbrella LGBT group based in St. Petersburg, conducted an anonymous survey on discrimination against LGBT populations, more than 50% of the 2,007 respondents had experienced psychological abuse, and 15% had experienced physical violence.

The recent proposals and adoption of anti-LGBT laws in Russia, which include banning representing “traditional” and “non-traditional” relationships as equally acceptable, making it illegal to say anything positive about being gay publicly, or to tell a child that there is nothing wrong with being gay or being raised by gay parents, has coincided with evidence of the spread of homophobic violence in the country.

Exeter City Council recognises that putting people first in our twinning relationships means putting all people first, whatever their sexual orientations.

This Council therefore RESOLVES:

1. To write to the Foreign Secretary and Russian Ambassador to the United Kingdom, expressing this Council’s disquiet at the continuing Civil Rights issues occurring in Russia, including the systematic discrimination towards the LGBT community; and
2. That it considers the above matter to be in direct contravention of the Twinning Agreement between the Cities of Exeter and Yaroslavl, dated 17 October 1989, and as such requests officers to:
  - a) Write to the City Administration in Yaroslavl offering its support to the LGBT community in Yaroslavl in particular and in Russia as a whole; and
  - b) Make representations to this effect to the official delegation from Yaroslavl during their forthcoming civic visit to the City in July 2014.

Date: Date Not Specified

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