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AGENDA FOR
EXETER CITY COUNCIL
SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - ECONOMY

The Scrutiny Committee - Economy will meet on **THURSDAY 4 MARCH 2004**, commencing at **5.30pm**, in Committee Room B, Civic Centre, Exeter to consider the following business. If you have an enquiry regarding any items on this agenda, please contact Howard Bassett on **Exeter 265107**.

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Part I: Items suggested for discussion with the press and public present

1.

MINUTES

To sign the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 15 January 2004 and the special meeting held on 2 February 2004.

2.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors are reminded of the need to declare personal and prejudicial interests, including the nature and extent of such interests, in relation to business on the agenda.

3. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985**
EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It is not considered that the Committee would be likely to exclude the press and public during the consideration of any of the items on this agenda but, if it should wish to do so, then the following resolution should be passed:-

RECOMMENDED that, under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the particular item(s) on the grounds that it(they) involve(s) the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

4. **Questions from the Public under Standing Order 19**

A period of up to 15 minutes will be set aside to deal with questions to the Committee from members of the public.

Details of questions should be notified to the Assistant Chief Executive at least three working days prior to the meeting. Further information and a copy of the procedure are available from Member Services (Exeter 265107)

5. **Questions from Members of the Council under Standing Order 20**

To receive questions from Members of the Council to appropriate Portfolio Holders.

Details of questions should be notified to the Assistant Chief Executive at least three working days prior to the meeting. Further information and a copy of the procedure are available from Member Services (Exeter 265107)

6. **Education for 15-19 Year Olds**
Progress on the Schools Building Programme in Exeter

To welcome Ms D. Pritchard, Deputy Divisional Education Officer, Devon County Council.

MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION BY
THE EXECUTIVE

7. **Rail Issues – Exerail Programme**

1-6

To consider the report of the Transportation Strategy Officer - *report circulated.*

**MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY
SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - ECONOMY**

8. **Archaeology Research Progress** 7-13
To consider the report of the Head of Archaeological Field Unit - *report circulated.*
9. **Marsh Barton Forum – Management Plan Progress Report** 14-18
To consider the report of the Head of Economy and Tourism - *report circulated.*
10. **Biotechnology Sector – Exeter** 19-21
To consider the report of the Head of Economy and Tourism - *report circulated.*
11. **Joint Workforce Development Plan** 22-25
To consider the report of the Head of Economy and Tourism - *report circulated.*
12. **Update – Heart of Devon Enterprise Agency** 26-30
To consider the report of the Head of Economy and Tourism - *report circulated.*

PERFORMANCE MONITORING

13. **National Performance Indicator Results 2002-2003 – How Exeter’s Results Compare** 31–33
To consider the report of the Director Economy and Development - *report circulated.*

14. **Economy Scrutiny Stewardship to December 2003**

34-36

To consider the joint report of the Director Economy and Development and the Head of Treasury Services - *report circulated*

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next **Scrutiny Committee - Economy** will be held on Thursday 1 July 2004 at 5.30pm.

Membership -

Councillors Browning (Chair), Baldwin D. (Deputy Chair), Baldwin M.G., Bennett, Branston, Coates, Dalby, Newby, Oliver, Sheldon and Sterry.

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