



Exeter City Council

A meeting of **EXETER CITY COUNCIL** will be held at the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, TOPSHAM ROAD, EXETER** on **TUESDAY 19 APRIL 2022** which commences at 6.00pm, at which you are hereby summoned to attend.

This meeting is open to the public and those addressing the Council under the public speaking provisions in agenda item 3, but any members of the public wishing to attend the meeting should contact the Democratic Services Team committee.services@exeter.gov.uk in advance. Priority will be given to those addressing the Council under the public speaking provisions.

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The recording of the meeting will be uploaded onto YouTube as soon as possible.

If you have an enquiry regarding any items on this agenda, please contact John Street, Corporate Manager Democratic & Civic Support on 01392 265106.

The following business is proposed to be transacted:-

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1 Minutes	
To approve and sign the minutes of the Extraordinary and Ordinary meetings held on 22 February 2022 and the Extraordinary meeting held on 10 March 2022.	5 - 34
2 Official Communications	
3 Public Questions	
Details of questions should be notified to the Corporate Manager Democratic and Civic Support at least three working days prior to the meeting - by 10am on Tuesday 12 April 2022. Further information and a copy of the procedure are available from Democratic Services (Committees) (Tel: 01392 265115) with details about speaking at Council to be found here: Public Speaking at Meetings .	

To receive minutes of the following Committees and to determine thereon:-

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12	Questions from Members of the Council under Standing Order No. 8.	

Question from Councillor K. Mitchell to the Portfolio Holder for City Development

Following the reassurances given by the Portfolio Holder at the Extraordinary Council meeting on the 22nd February 2022, can Councillor Morse please confirm:-

- A) How many of the 160 backlogged Planning Enforcement cases have now been closed?
 - B) How many new Planning Enforcement cases have been opened since the Extraordinary Council meeting?
 - C) How many Planning Enforcement cases in total currently remain open?
- And finally,
- D) How confident is the Portfolio Holder that all of the original 160 backlogged cases will be resolved by the time the temporary Planning Enforcement post expires?

Question from Councillor Hannaford to the Leader

The recent survey of 1,500 local women in Exeter, by the Safety of Women At Night (SwaN) has found that over 85%, felt unsafe or very unsafe, walking alone at night in the city centre.

Can the Leader of the City Council please comment on these truly concerning findings?

Local women said that they would feel safer in Exeter city centre if there was an increased police presence, more affordable transport, enhanced CCTV coverage, and better lighting.

Can the Leader of the City Council please update Members on the work the Deputy Leader has been doing on these matters, with others, including in her role as Exeter's local Councillor Police Advocate and a member of the Devon and Cornwall Police and Crime Commissioner Panel? Specifically, what progress has been made to secure more women police officers patrolling the city centre?

Does the Leader share my concerns that the service cuts announced by Stagecoach to local bus services at night, make women more vulnerable, as they are waiting even longer for buses?

Is there an update for Council regarding the work being done by the local Community Safety Partnership and Exeter University, to develop an Exeter Safety of Women At Night Charter?

Can the important issue of women's safety in Exeter, including general public safety, drink spiking, toxic masculinity, misogyny and domestic violence and sexual abuse, be properly included in the Council's scrutiny work programme, and robustly reflected in the Council's corporate plan?

Date: Thursday 7 April 2022

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