

## 23/0325/FUL | Five self-contained flats in new building, former Globe Public House, Clifton Road, Exeter

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**Dear Leigh Powell** 

Exeter Cycling Campaign is grateful for the opportunity to comment on the above planning application. We would like to comment as follows.

The design and access statement proposes secure cycle stores but no details are provided.

We would expect the number of secure and convenient cycle spaces provided to at least meet the minimum standards set out in the Exeter City Council Sustainable Travel Supplementary Planning Document i.e 5 spaces, and that the stores should have easy access to the road via a gate. However these standards are now 9 years old, and will shortly be reviewed to meet the councils' raised expectations to increase active travel and meet net-zero goals. The application should be aiming for best practice as a well located car free scheme which is likely to have higher rates of cycle use.

Storage space for bikes is additional to that required for bins; the same space cannot be counted for both. The current site layout plan appears to indicate combined cycle / recycling stores, without dimensions.

No visitor cycle parking appears to have been provided within the proposals so we recommend provision is made for visitor cycle parking in line with Exeter residential design SPD section 6.61, and Exeter Sustainable transport SPD table 2.

We would also like to see provision for adapted bikes, or cargo bikes, and provision for charging of e-bikes.

Furthermore within multi-unit developments such as this there is no garage space where bike maintenance can be done, so having some flexible space provision for this purpose would be welcome.

This development is ideally positioned for residents to take advantage of Exeter's established and growing network of cycle routes. Encouraging cycling aligns with the council's Net Zero strategy

We hope that these comments help further improve this development by encouraging more active travel and helping the council to achieve its stated objectives in this regard.



Yours sincerely,

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