



# HAMMAR Southwest Technical Briefing Day

Date: **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2025.**

Venue: Venue: Exeter Science Park Centre, 6 Babbage Way. EX5 2FN.



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**Organiser:** HAMMAR Southwest Committee\*

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Technical Seminar Programme:	
09:00 – 9.30	<b>Arrival and coffee/ biscuits. *Arrive in good time for ease of parking</b>
09.30 – 9:35	<b>Welcome/</b> Housekeeping. Chair and the HAMMAR Southwest Committee.
09.35 – 9:55	<b>Sector Update.</b> Topical social housing/ related sector activity + legislation update. Andrew Burke – National Housing Maintenance Forum (NHMF).
9.55 – 10.40	<b>A journey to providing safe, warm and well maintained homes including preparations for Awaab’s Law.</b> Nadhia Kahn - Executive Director of Customer and Community, Rochdale Boroughwide Housing.
10.40 – 11.10	<b>Awaab's Law in the Social Rented Sector.</b> Isobel Ames - Social Housing Health, Safety and Repairs, The Ministry of Housing (MHCLG).
11.10 – 11.25	<b>Comfort + Refreshments Break.</b>
11.25 – 11.55	<b>Mid Devon Housing’s Damp, Mould &amp; Condensation Approach.</b> Rosie Wills, MCI0B ARICS - Technical Support & Repairs Manager, Mid Devon Housing.
11.55 – 12.35	<b>TPAS: a tenants perspective upon Awaabs Law/other sector obligations.</b> Caritas Charles - Senior Policy, Innovation and Insight Manager, TPAS (England’s leading tenant engagement experts).
12.35 – 13.35	<b>Buffet Lunch and Networking.</b>
13.35 – 14.20	<b>Healthy Homes/ smart D&amp;M solutions and active case management.</b> Will Collier + Andrew Sturgess – AICO home life safety.
14.20 – 15.05	<b>Resident engagement and knowledge in retrofit: insights from the Transforming Homes (TH) project.</b> Key insights about resident engagement from the Transforming Homes project (Bristol, Bath, Cardiff, Exeter Universities). Different approaches the project has taken to resident engagement so essential to its success, and emerging insights for advancing home retrofit. Dr Catherine Butler - Associate Professor, University of Exeter.
15.05 – 15.20	<b>Comfort + Refreshments Break.</b>

15.20 – 16.10	<b>Modern Methods of Construction (MMC): State of the Nation, Why Diversify, Barriers, and Navigating the Market to find the Right Solution</b> Jake Snell, Head of Asset Innovation – ABRI Group Trina Chakravarti - Director, the Building Better Alliance. Tony Woods – Procurement Manager at PfH - Building Better
16.10 – 16.20	<b>NHMF Study Tour 2025</b> briefing - <b>Berlin</b> a brief introduction. Julian Ransom BSc MRICS – Dir. iON-Consultants for NHMF Man. Committee.
16.20 – 16.30	<b>Topical Subject Suggestions</b> – open to the floor. Complete/ hand in feedback forms. <i>Safe journey home.</i>



### Address:

Exeter Science Park Centre,  
 6 Babbage Way,  
 Exeter Science Park,  
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 Exeter, EX5 2FN

### Directions & Transport Links

We are located strategically at the intersection of the South West’s major north-south (M5 and A38/A380) and east-west (A30) roads, within three miles of Exeter International Airport and within five miles of Exeter St David’s mainline railway station.

### Plan your journey

[Use this link](#) to help you plan your journey using Google Maps.

### By rail

Exeter St David’s destinations include London (2 hours), Bristol (1.25 hours) and Birmingham (2.5 hours).

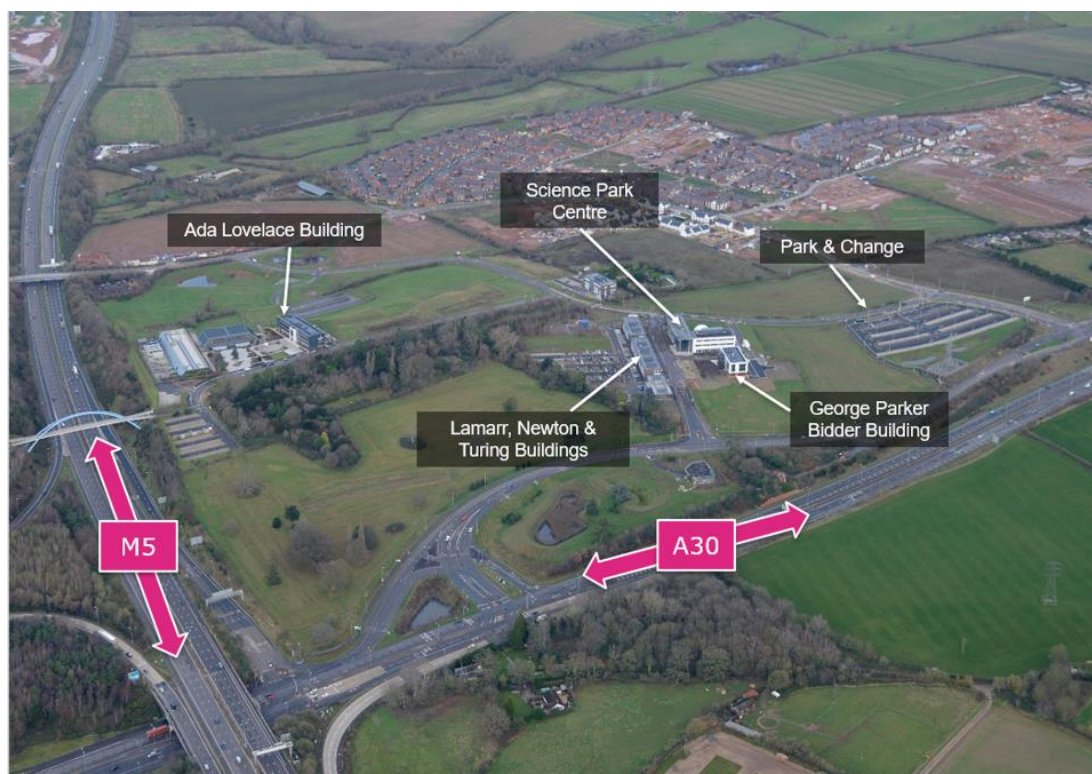
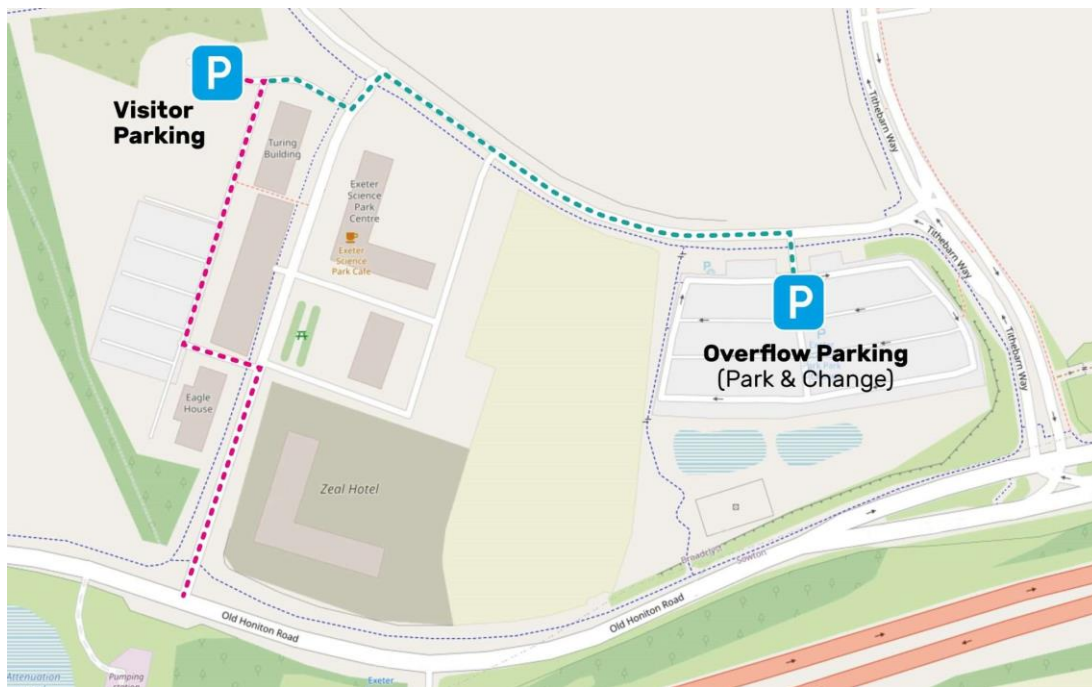
### By air

Exeter International Airport’s destinations include UK and European cities.

### Visitor Parking:

Access to the Science Park site is via a secure barrier system and car parking operates a number plate recognition system. Parking is available for visitors to the site; at the entrance barriers, visitors should buzz through to the Science Park Centre to be allowed access. Electric vehicle charging points are also available on-site at the nearby Park & Change car park.

Visitors can also use the nearby [Park and Change car park](#). See maps following.



Access to the Science Park Centre is where the main Science Park Reception is located and all HAMMAR attendees will access the venue via the Science Park Centre entrance.

Although the visitor car park is quite modest in size, the 'Park & Change' car park is actually free and within easy walking distance of the Centre.