

Candidate Questions

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<p>“This is set to be a largely all-male board for the first time in a long time. With the fantastic growth of the City Women’s team, how are you going to continue and expand on our commitment to Women’s football and ensure Exeter City will still be leaders off the pitch when tackling sexism and other forms of discrimination at St James Park and on social media? And with reports of discrimination at the Bristol Rovers home game, what further policies would you put in place to ensure girls feel safe and welcome at SJP?”</p>	<p>I’ve had first-hand experience on how the game/crowds have developed over these years. Having a brother who has worked in all division of Women’s football from the Women’s Super League to the Regional Leagues. The discrimination at the Bristol Rovers game was totally unacceptable and I would like to work with #hergametoo to make sure that everyone feels safe at SJP. This should be an open dialogue over the season. We can also look at extending the family zones for the younger members.</p>
<p>“Whilst accepting that such an event would almost certainly mean a vote of the membership, if, at some point, a certified viable and substantial offer came forward to invest in the club, from an individual, or a group, what would be your personal position, should the said investor wish to gain majority control of the club as a prerequisite of such investment.”</p>	<p>I think it falls in to 2 categories. Fan wants to invest money – This needs to be qualified to make sure that the individual fits with the ethos of the club – I would be open to a conversation with the individual. Company wanting to use Exeter for financial gain – I’m afraid it’s a no from me.</p>
<p>“Given the Trust’s stated aim “to make the match-day experience at Exeter City FC a premier experience, unrivalled by our competitors” and recent improvements to the fan experience in both the Adam Stansfield Stand undercroft and Selco Stand Hospitality area would you support the need for improving the fan experience in both the Park Building and external Fan Zone eg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • improve ventilation / reduce overcrowding in the Famous Exeter City Real Ale and Cider Emporium Bar / provide a sales point direct into the Fanzone; • provide cover to and somewhere to put drinks on in the Fan Zone; 	<p>We could speak with the team at the bar about looking at an option for a sales point.</p> <p>We could look at getting sponsorship from various drink companies to provide commercial umbrellas for the outside area.</p> <p>Maybe look at perching tables for standing and placing drinks.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> provide better facilities for those providing entertainment in the Fan Zone ? If not, why not ?” 	<p>In answer to your question about queuing at the bar we could look at organisation channels for serving, queuing and paying to keep the traffic moving at the bar. By considering strategies used at festivals.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How many Trust meetings have you attended in the last 12 months? Do you have any family or financial ties to Exeter City AFC or any other potential conflicts of interest? 	<p>0 – I do like to download all the notes for each meeting but I would be committed in attending meets in person if elected.</p> <p>None</p>
<p>"What action do you intend to take to finally sort the Stagecoach bar serving issues? There is always an unacceptable wait to be served, especially at half time. If you leave at the half time whistle you are unlikely to be served before the second half starts. The club is clearly losing revenue as many people simply give up waiting. One solution maybe to start serving before the half time whistle, i.e. anticipate the demand?"</p>	<p>Good suggestion, but how many pints would be lost each game? But we can look at trialling this for a game. (based on conservative estimates of usual numbers?)</p> <p>Few other options</p> <p>1 -People pay for drinks upfront and drinks can be collected at half time.</p> <p>2 – I’ve also contacted a company called EBar which provide beer through automation and waiting for pricing and options.</p> <p>Website www.ebar.online</p>
<p>In the last year what 3 key things have you done actively support the Trust?</p>	<p>1.)Created and arranged football Tournament at the C&F for the Kit out the Cliff campaign.</p> <p>2.) Introduced new corporate members to the trust</p> <p>3.) Net promoter for the Trust on twitter</p>