

**Minutes of the
Sowton Forum Members Meeting
15th September 2006 12noon
Crown Self Storage, Grenadier Road, Sowton**

Present

Adele Fulner	Sowton Forum Administrator
Andrew Doulton	Crown Self Store
David Hull	Reliance Security
Elizabeth Fulner	Treasurer
Jeremy Filmer-Bennett	Devon & Cornwall Business Council
Maureen Gori De Murden	Exeter City Council
Paddy Kerwin	Artavia LLP
Ray Bushell	Handle with Care
Ray Spiller	Dawsons News
Russell Morris	Landmark Information Group
Sarah Cavell	Landmark Information Group

Apologies

Amy Paxton	Jourdans
Christine Channon	Cllr
David Ferris	Devon Direct Services
Ian Parsons	Highways Agency
Ian McGregor	Chairman – Sowton Forum
Ivor Bull	Express & Echo
Martin Vickary	Lionheart Marketing
Neil Blake	Vapormatic
Paul Banks	Fresha
Rob Varley	Met Office
Peter Tierney	GSL Global
Vikki Quinn	Environment Agency

- **Welcome & Apologies**

Adele made apologies for Ian McGregor who had been called away urgently at the last minute.

Thanks were offered to Crown Self Storage who had prepared a fantastic venue for the meeting and also to Jeremy Filmer-Bennett of Devon & Cornwall Business Council for giving up his time.

Adele introduced Andrew Doulton of Crown Self Storage:

- Crown Self Storage

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- Devon & Cornwall Business Council

Jeremy Filmer Bennett gave a presentation about the Devon & Cornwall Business Council which is attached.

- Networking

This meeting was primarily dedicated to allowing members' to network and meet other members with a view to building new commercial relationships and despite the fact that not as many people came as was hoped some very successful relationships were built and we hope that this is a small step into encouraging inward investment and opening communication with other members.

- Any other business

Devon County Council are inviting every registered business in Exeter to take part in the first annual 'Exeter Travel to Work Tally'. Please encourage all staff working in the city, regardless of where they live, to complete this quick survey once **between September 18th and October 18th 2006**.

Simply direct your staff to www.devon.gov.uk or, if you would prefer to complete the survey on paper, please call 01392 382104 and we will happily send you paper copies & a freepost return envelope. Please find enclosed a poster to help you promote the survey within your workplace.

Incentives for your company

Every business participating in the survey will be entered into a Free Prize Draw to win **£1,000 towards improving travel choices for your company!** Your business name will also be published on our website, to highlight the companies that are supporting this initiative to combat Exeter's congestion.

- Dates for the Diary

The next meeting will be on 8th December 2006 at 12 noon – The meeting will be hosted once again by Crown Self Storage.