Direction

How to find us
By road

From the north and from the south and west:
• Leave at junction 29 of the M5 motorway
• Turn right at the end of the motorway slip road and go straight across the first roundabout
• Take the second turning on the right into FitzRoy Road
• Once through the security barrier, please follow signs for ‘visitor car parking’

By rail

Frequent direct services operate to Paddington and Waterloo stations in London to Exeter St Davids and Exeter Central. A typical journey from London to Exeter takes around 2 hours 15 minutes, and from the Midlands around 2 hours 30 minutes. See By Bus section for bus connections from these train stations.

The stations closest to the Met Office site are Pinhoe station to the north and Digby and Sowton station to the south. Note: these stations are not serviced as frequently as Exeter St Davids.

Pinhoe can be reached from London Waterloo from the east or Exeter St Davids from the west and south. It is possible to travel direct to Digby and Sowton without changing trains from stations on the Paignton line.

From Exeter St David’s station, it is a short taxi ride to the Met Office.

For further information see National Rail Enquiries.

By bus and coach

From Exeter city centre
The Park and Ride service (PR2/M2) provides a regular, quick route from Exeter city centre every 12 minutes, and stops at the Honiton Road Park and Ride stop, from which it is a 10-minute walk to the Met Office. This service departs from Paris Street (stop 17), or Sidwell Street (stop 19). Journey time approximately 20 minutes.

Service B operates every half hour and passes Pinhoe railway station. On the journey from the city centre you need to alight at Honiton Road Park and Ride stop, from which it is a 10-minute walk to the Met Office. However, on the return journey the service passes through the Met Office site. This service departs from the High Street (stop 3) and Sidwell Street (stop 19). Journey time approximately 26 minutes.

Service 56 operates approximately hourly from the bus station in Paris Street. Journey time approximately 26 minutes.

From Exeter St Davids railway station
The 56 operates approximately hourly and passes through the Met Office site, and continues on to Exeter Airport. Journey time approximately 26 minutes.

Timetables, plus maps of bus routes and Exeter city centre bus stops, are available from Stagecoach Devon.

For further information see Stagecoach South West, First Devon and Cornwall or National Express.
By walking or cycling

Pedestrian/cycle links with safe crossing facilities have been provided from the Met Office site to Honiton Road and Hill Barton Road (adjacent to the site), and to Honiton Road Park and Ride.

Typical walking times and distances from the Met Office site are:

- to Honiton Road Park and Ride: ten minutes (700 m)
- to Pinhoe Station: 20–25 minutes (1.5 km)
- to Digby and Sowton Station: 25 minutes (2 km)

By air

Exeter International Airport,
Exeter, EX5 2BD
Tel: 01392 367433
Fax: 01392 364593
Website: www.exeter-airport.co.uk

From Exeter Airport

- Follow the A30 and the road signs towards Exeter city centre
- After going under the M5, go straight across the first roundabout
- Take the second turning on the right into FitzRoy Road
- Once through the security barrier, please follow signs for ‘visitor car parking’

From Bristol Airport

Take the bus from Bristol Airport to Bristol Temple Meads railway station. The bus runs every 20 minutes and the journey takes about 25 minutes. Full timetable available at the Bristol Airport website. There are regular trains to Exeter from Bristol Temple Meads station (about one per hour). Train journey takes about an hour.

From Heathrow Airport

The Heathrow Express train departs Heathrow Airport for London Paddington rail station every 15 minutes. Journey time is between 15 and 23 minutes. A typical journey from Paddington to Exeter St Davids takes as little as 2 hours 15 minutes.

An alternative is to get the Railair coach service to Reading, where all the trains between London Paddington and Exeter stop. The service operates every 20 minutes and the journey time is between 40 minutes and 1 hour.

There are about 12 National Express coaches a day between Heathrow Airport and Exeter bus station. The journey time is 3.5 to 4 hours.

From Gatwick Airport

Take the train from Gatwick Airport to Reading. This train runs hourly and takes about 75 minutes. From Reading there is a frequent service to Exeter St Davids (journey time about two hours).

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Transport Direct’s Journey Planner can help you plan your trip to the Met Office in Exeter.