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Matthew Owen

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TEDxExeter is to expand its reach this year with a live stream into public buildings and home.

The event on April 24, which sold out in two hours, is to be streamed direct to Exeter Library, the city council and Exeter College.

Tickets for TEDxExeter have always been popular, but this year organisers were astounded as the 2015 conference sold out in record time. Concessionary tickets had all gone in 15 minutes.

This prompted TEDxExeter to introduce a live stream for the first time this year.

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"We are aware the appetite for what we what we are doing here in Exeter is growing hugely," said TEDxExeter organiser Claire Kennedy. "It's been called the 'hottest ticket in town', 'the most inspiring day of the year'. Even though it's all freely available online after the event, there's something special about viewing the talks with like-minded people who are passionate and positive.

"First to be agreed was a public live stream event at Exeter Library. This meant another 80 people can watch together, feel the buzz, connect with new people, share their responses and get excited about the possibilities that are opened up by the talks. Tickets for the library event also went quickly."

Devon and Cornwall Police has been using TED talks for some time as part of its leadership development and was keen to be a part of the TEDxExeter event.

Officers and staff from both Devon and Cornwall Police and Dorset Police will be attending the live stream, with a chance to think about what the future holds and how they might work more closely together.

"For us the day is about challenging our thinking, really considering the future and taking time to look outside policing to learn," said Alexis Poole, at Devon and Cornwall Police.

"This year's theme is very relevant to us as we look forward and plan for policing in the coming years."

Exeter City Council chief executive Karime Hassan is also enthusiastic about TEDxExeter:

"TEDxExeter is an event that educates and entertains, and sparks ideas and conversations that can be profound and transformative. Given this event is happening in our city I believe it will be beneficial for staff and councillors to have the opportunity of sharing in the event. Local government is faced with challenging issues such as the transformation of the organisation and the role of the public sector in supporting the development of the city; connecting with diverse opinions on a variety of topics can be a learning, enriching and motivating experience."

Exeter College is keen to make TEDx Exeter available to as many students and staff as possible.

Teachers will have the chance to incorporate parts of the stream in lessons, tapping into those talks that have particular resonance to their subject areas as well as engaging them in a broader spectrum of

ideas and encouraging them to critically consider "the long view". They also plan to have a 'live stream lounge', planned and hosted by students and open and available to all at the college throughout the day.

"TEDx Exeter is a unique and exciting way to help engage our learners with critical ideas, key discussions and long-term questions and a way to make them think beyond the classroom," said assistant principal at Exeter College, Emma Fielding. "We are delighted to be associated and involved with TEDx and exceptionally proud that one of our students, Beth Barnes, is giving a short talk at the event this year. We look forward to building on this exciting partnership in coming years, so that we can give future students the opportunity of sharing in global ideas and debates with TEDxExeter."

Also hosting private screenings of TEDxExeter are St Peter's School, which will open the viewing to staff and parents as well as students, and local arts organisation Kaleider.

The livestream will also be available to view at home, and readers will be able to join by clicking the prominent link to it from the Express and Echo homepage on the day.

Saving the rainforest has been high on the agenda for the green movement for years, but for one TEDxExeter speaker, Matthew Owen, a very different approach to that of traditional charities is to be discussed.

"Rather than try to build more reserves and put up more fences – neither of which works – we focus on people," said Matthew, co-founder and director of Cool Earth.

"We knew that thousands of indigenous people depended on the forest for everything, so we looked at how we can give them a helping hand to keep the trees standing."

Cool Earth works by helping communities to take legal control of their forest, to defend their trees, get better prices for their produce and, ultimately, create strong villages that control their own futures.

The need to tackle climate change was the inspiration for Exeter-born Matthew.

"Something had to be done about climate change, but it seemed impossible for individuals to make a difference. Everything seemed to depend on politicians who couldn't see beyond the next election, or huge changes in energy policy that would take 30 years to happen," he said.

"We knew deforestation was as big a contributor to global warming as the USA or China, so that's what we focused on."

Since it started in 2007, Cool Earth has grown considerably. It has saved 501,332 acres of rainforest, protected 120,295,215 trees and supported 35,410 people.

His journey from Exeter to the rainforest took him via the City of London where he spent 15 years in investment banking. He also ran a childcare charity and managed a research group. He has fond memories of his childhood.

"Exeter was a fantastic place to grow up," he said.

"A favourite childhood memory is tobogganing down Bull Meadow with my two brothers in deep snow."

His memory of the Northcott Theatre isn't quite so happy: "The last time I was on the Northcott stage was for a panto. I was really small and begged to go up and found it all too much. I was carried off and utterly inconsolable. I hope this time I'll fare slightly better."

The long term approach taken by Cool Earth fits neatly with this year's theme for TEDxExeter, Taking the Long View.

The conference, which takes place at Exeter Northcott Theatre on April 24 will also be available to watch as a live stream from the TEDxExeter website.

Matthew will kick off the day with his talk: Saving rainforest a village at a time.

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