

# Devon & Cornwall Joint Branch

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**Date:** Wednesday 9 March 2016

**Time:** 7:15 pm

**Venue:** Royal Plymouth Corinthian Yacht Club, Plymouth

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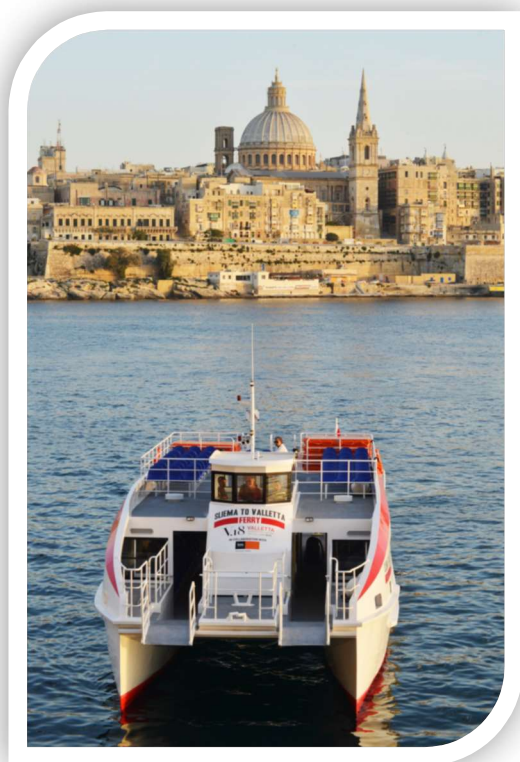
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## New Ferries for Valletta

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Exeter Maritime Services (EMS) located at Gabriel's Wharf on the Exeter Canal has delivered the first of two 19m ferries to Marsamxetto Steamferry Services Ltd in Malta. The vessels will provide commuter and tourist links to Valletta across the Grand Harbour and Marsamxett Harbour. To the north west of Valletta one ferry will operate between Sliema and Marsamxetto (Valetta) and to the south east the second ferry will connect Lascaris (Valetta) with Bormla and Isla

Aiming to beat the ever increasing traffic congestion and parking problems in Valletta, the design was completed by Australian naval architect Adam Schwetz who undertook the commission from the shipyard and worked in close cooperation with Marsamxetto Steamferry Services. The design brief called for two fuel efficient ferries with very low wash characteristics capable of providing frequent services across the harbours with the minimum of disruption to other harbour uses and vessels moored in close proximity to each ferry's route.

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