



## **Exeter Chiefs Academy** **Developing Player Programme**

Following in-depth discussions we have taken the decision not to hold any further DPP sessions this season. We understand this is disappointing but wish all players to focus on returning to club rugby.

U16 players will be notified separately of a DPP & Exeter College U16 Taster Session on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

### **DPP 2021/22**

DPP sessions will take place at regional bases with the support of Academy staff – there will be no central DPP.

#### **U14s**

There will be some regional taster sessions for U14 post Easter 2022. Details will be circulated and available on the Exeter Chiefs website nearer the time.

#### **U15s**

Each year the DPP U15 season runs from January - June. Initial regional nominations are to be made in January. Please note nominations can be made at any time during the season. Player nominations can be made by anyone (parent, teacher, club coach etc). The nomination form can be found on the Exeter Chiefs website.

There will be playing opportunities for U15s via CB/DPP games from March through to June.

Although there is no central DPP, there will be positional skills clinics with Exeter Chiefs Academy staff for players from February onwards.

#### **U16s**

Regional DPP sessions start in October.

Junior Academy selection will be made in November following inter regional games.

There are CB/DPP playing opportunities from December through to March.

All DPP sessions are regional based, apart from Junior Academy which takes place at The Exwick Hub (Exeter College).

#### **CB Games**

Further to a proposal from the RFU, Devon County representative sides will now only be selected from DPP players.

The DPP operates an open door policy where players can be nominated at any time during the season. Please see the Exeter Chiefs website for regional DPP contact details.

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