## Exeter Airport creates 25 jobs as it looks to continue pandemic rebound

Exeter Airport has launched a recruitment drive for 25 newly created jobs in anticipation of a busy summer season, as it looks to continue to rebound from the pandemic.

The transport hub said it was expecting to handle 450,000 passengers this year, connecting them directly with 26 destinations including new routes to Faro in Portugal and year round connections to the US.

In its previous financial year to the end of March 2022, the airport reported a narrowed operating loss of £1.4m, compared to £3.3 a year earlier, with passenger numbers of 170,000. Turnover was up to £11.2m from £6.3m in 2021 previous, though still short of the £24.2m recorded for 2019/20.

The airport is looking to fill a wide range of posts including passenger services agent, security officer, ground crew, despatcher, executive lounge assistant, cleaner, and Royal Mail screener.

As part of its recruitment campaign, Exeter Airport has recently published a series of online videos giving a behind the scenes look at what it is like to work there, while it will also hold an open day at the site.

Stephen Wiltshire, managing director of Exeter Airport, said: "We're expecting a busy summer ahead with new routes and increased capacity so we're recruiting for around 25 roles to meet that demand and add to the 260 employees we already have.

"The open day is a chance for people to come along and meet the team and find out more about working at their local airport, and we look forward to welcoming potential applicants to the terminal."

Exeter Airport is owned and operated by RCA, part of Rigby Group Plc. RCA is the UK's leading regional airport operator and also owns and operates Bournemouth Airport, Norwich Airport and Coventry Airport, and holds management contracts for Blackpool Airport and Solent Airport.

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