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## Chris Liddle appointed England Women Performance Pace Bowling Coach

Chris Liddle has been appointed as England Women Performance Pace Bowling Coach.

Liddle arrives from Northamptonshire where he was assistant head coach and lead fast bowling coach.

The 39-year-old worked with the London Spirit women's coaching team for the past two years and has worked with the Sunrisers team during the off season as part of his role with Northamptonshire CCC.

After a 17-year professional playing career with Leicestershire, Sussex and Gloucestershire, Liddle joined Northamptonshire's coaching staff in 2020 and has worked with the men's Netherlands national side in various IT20 tournaments during this time.

Director of England Women's Cricket **Jonathan Finch** said: "This role is pivotal in developing pace bowlers across the pathway and we are excited by the impact Chris will have as we look to support more players on their journey to play international cricket. Chris's experience across multiple international and domestic tournaments, along with his knowledge of pace bowling only adds to the coaching team we have been able to put in place.

"I would also like to thank Northamptonshire CCC in allowing Chris to make the move to his new role so quickly and support our preparation for the upcoming tour to India."

**Liddle** added: "I'd like to say a big thank you to Northamptonshire. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at the club and working with the players and all the backroom staff. It's been great to see and support the development of individuals over the years and the success of the team along the way, especially with the improvements in the bowling attack's wicket taking ability in T20 cricket. I'd like to wish 'Sads' (John Sadler) and the team the very best.

"It's an incredibly exciting time to be joining England Women and I'm really looking forward to getting started. The demand on the fast bowlers has increased over the years and I want to be able to provide them with the skills required to grow and develop to be successful over a long period of time."

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