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Clare Connor and David Mahoney take senior ECB roles

ECB today announced two new roles within its Executive team.

Clare Connor has been appointed to the new role of Managing Director, Women's Cricket while David Mahoney has been named Chief Operating Officer.

The moves each fit the purpose and delivery of the new game-wide strategy for 2020-24, *Inspiring Generations*, which has been developed over the last 12 months.

Speaking about the appointments, **Tom Harrison, ECB Chief Executive Officer**, said:

"Both these moves, for Clare and David, are key steps in us building a stronger future for ECB and the game. We have a new strategy for 2020-24 and we must be ready to deliver and continue our growth across the game.

"The women's and girls' game is one of our six core priorities and, given the strong and consistent growth of the women's game and the opportunities we have created, Clare will now take responsibility from grassroots through to the England team as Managing Director, Women's Cricket.

"David and his team have driven the creation of this new strategy, which will help shape the game in England and Wales for years to come. His new role as Chief Operating Officer will see this embedded through the organisation and ensure that we are focused and efficient in delivering the strategy."

On becoming Managing Director, Women's Cricket, Clare Connor said:

"I am thrilled to be taking up this role at a hugely exciting time for the women's game. We have seen real progress in the past few years with the introduction of central contracts for England women, the birth of the Kia Super League and more girls than ever before picking up cricket bats. This new strategy and the associated levels of investment will help us continue to grow the game for women and girls, thereby giving us the best chance of becoming more relevant to more people."

David moves from his role as Chief Strategy Officer after overseeing the development of the new strategy. Prior to joining the ECB, David held a number of senior roles at Ofcom, the UK communications regulator.

ECB Chief Operating Officer David Mahoney said:

"Developing the strategy was a collaborative process involving people from across the game. In my new role, I will make sure the new strategy is at the heart of everything we do. To do that we need to continue to work collaboratively with the cricket network and ensure that ECB and its culture is fit for purpose to deliver the new strategy. We must make sure that we are investing in the right areas if we are to grow our sport."

Last week ECB announced that Gordon Hollins will take up the role of Managing Director, County Cricket; Sanjay Patel will focus on the development of the New Competition as its Managing Director and Tony Singh will join ECB in April as Chief Commercial Officer.

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