



The National Cricket Performance Centre at Loughborough University

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## David Parsons to leave ECB as Performance Director

England Cricket's Performance Director, David Parsons, will leave the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) in July.

Parsons, who first joined the ECB in 2000 as National Coach, was promoted to National Spin Bowling Coach in 2005, before taking on the role of ECB Performance Director in 2007. Since then, he has overseen the development of the England men's pathways, including the running of the National Performance Centre at Loughborough University.

He has worked closely with players, coaches, selectors, practitioners and administrators during his tenure and was instrumental in the development and implementation of all England cricket's elite programmes.

Commenting on the decision, Ashley Giles, ECB's Managing Director of England Men's Cricket, said:

"David has played a significant role in developing elite players and coaches across the pathways, and we are indebted to him for his outstanding contribution to England cricket.

"He has ensured we have the foundations in place to identify, develop and prepare the next generation of players, which will help us achieve our objectives of ensuring we are producing cricketers equipped for the rigours of the international arena.

"I would like to wish David well in his next venture. His knowledge and expertise across elite sport will match his ambition during the next chapter of his career."

David Parsons, said:

"I have had 19 memorable years at the ECB, and am truly honoured to have had the opportunity to play such a pivotal role in the development of the National Performance Centre and the transformational change of the England pathways.

"During that time, the England teams have made significant progress and I take great satisfaction in knowing that the coaching programmes we have put in place have made a contribution to the development of such a great crop of talented and world-class players.

"The building blocks are in place to ensure England cricket continues to prosper at the highest level. The next few years should bear fruit.

"I would like to thank everyone I have had the absolute privilege of working alongside over the course of my time at the ECB and wish the players, coaches and wider ECB staff all the best for the future."

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