



## Turner earns prize spot on national coaching programme

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Table Tennis England coach Chris Turner is among an elite group of coaches selected by UK Coaching to join its Performance Foundation coach support programme.

In total, 47 new coaches from 17 summer and winter Olympic and Paralympic sports have been welcomed onto the 18-month programme, which is designed to help coaches maximise their potential and impact.

This is the third cycle of the programme and the first time any table tennis coaches have been selected.

Those on the programme have the benefit of:

- one-to-one coach developer support
- cross-sport communities of practice and learning
- online social learning environments
- workshop delivery from industry experts to expand knowledge and challenge thinking

Chris is DiSE (Diploma in Sporting Excellence) Programme Lead at Table Tennis England. He said: "I feel very honoured to be selected and thank you to Table Tennis England for nominating me and encouraging me to apply.

"I'm really looking forward to working with coach developers and fellow coaches from the programme to enhance my own practice and share this learning with fellow table tennis coaches."

UK Coaching's Head of Coaching Nick Levett, said: "We are excited to welcome this new batch of coaches on to our programme, the aim of which is to provide talent coaches with outstanding coach support.

"At UK Coaching, we are here for the coach, so I am proud that this piece of work is helping some of the UK's

most promising coaches feel more confident and competent in their abilities to help our very best athletes achieve their goals and ambitions.

“Once again, it is pleasing to have such a variety of coaches from different sports on the programme.”

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