## Table Tennis England welcomes UK Sport move

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The England team celebrate winning promotion at the World Team Championships

Table Tennis England welcomes the decision by UK Sport to engage in public consultation regarding its future policy on elite sport funding.

Table Tennis lost its UK Sport funding following the London 2012 Olympics, as had been anticipated, because the sport was unable to deliver podium potential.

Despite that, we have this year seen the most successful England team for many years, winning five medals at the Commonwealth Games, including an unprecedented clean sweep in the mixed doubles. In addition, the men's team achieved promotion to the top division of world table tennis at the World Team Championships, for the first time in 17 years.

We believe that funding for elite sport should not be determined entirely by the ability to win medals on the highest stage. Rather, it should recognise progress made towards that goal and also the ability of a sport to engage with current and potential players at all levels.

We look forward to working with UK Sport in the future as we continue our mission of driving up participation rates and giving our elite athletes the best chance to excel on the world stage.

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