

## Sport England hail Brighton's refugee work

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Brighton Table Tennis Club's work that helps refugees integrate into the local community is ground-breaking, says Mike Diaper, Executive Director of Sport England, who visited the club earlier this month.

He said:

I came away inspired. It was fantastic to visit the Brighton Table Tennis Club (BTTC) and see first-hand the innovative approach to getting diverse communities across Brighton active.

The work the club is doing with refugees, using table tennis to integrate them into their new community, improve their English language skills and just have fun, is ground-breaking.

Sport England is proud to be able to support the club.

During his visit Mike had a short coaching session from club member Naqeeb Saide. A qualified coach, Naqeeb plays for BTTC's Team Afghanistan in Brighton Table Tennis League.

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