

**Regional Director of Women’s Cricket**

**West Midlands**

**The Role**

Women’s & girls’ cricket is set to be transformed as part of an exciting strategy to Inspire Generations by connecting communities and improving lives through cricket, ensuring cricket is a game for all.

The Regional Director of Women’s Cricket role is an exciting opportunity to establish and lead a senior team and academy for the Region and to work collaboratively with others in the region to deliver an accessible and inclusive player pathway which is underpinned by a thriving recreational game that welcomes a broad, representative playing population.

As Regional Director of Women’s Cricket, you will be a passionate advocate of the game, maximising opportunities for female players to experience high quality provision to foster a long-term involvement with cricket whilst supporting all players to maximise their potential.

The role requires you to influence the wider cricket network and build relationships to Transform Women’s and Girls’ Cricket within your region whilst being able to offer clear direction aligned to the national game priorities. **You will be one of eight new Regional Directors of Women’s Cricket** and will play a key role in shaping the future success of the game.

Working across the whole of the West Midlands Region this is a unique opportunity to influence the wider cricket network and build relationships that will transform women’s and girls’ cricket across Staffordshire, Warwickshire, Shropshire, Herefordshire and Worcestershire. This is a key role in shaping the future success of the game.

The successful applicant will report to the Regional Host CEO and will also be accountable to a Regional Steering Group made up of senior representatives from the five counties in the West Midlands. They will also have key relationships with senior executive within the ECB including MD Women’s Cricket, Head of Women’s Domestic Competitions, National Talent Manager, Head of Regions and Head of The Hundred -Women’s Competition.

The Regional Director of Women’s Cricket will provide leadership and strategic direction in the following key areas:

**Regional Senior Women’s Team**

* Agree, monitor and control budget expenditure for the senior team
* Lead a team of performance staff to offer year-round high quality, holistic individualised programmes for players involved in the elite domestic competitions
* Work collaboratively with the ECB to ensure all performance requirements are aligned to the overall objective of developing players for England
* Ensure the effective delivery of the regional senior team into the ECB organised 50-over and T20 competition programme
* Work in collaboration with the paired women’s team in The Hundred to maximise efficiencies and grow the profile of the women’s game

**Regional Academy**

The Regional Director of Women’s Cricket will:

* Agree, monitor and control budget expenditure for the Academy
* Ensure the effective delivery of the Academy in line with the ECB Talent Development Framework
* Work with other Counties in the region to develop aligned Player ID and Selection processes
* Work with other Counties in the region to provide an accessible, representative, and transparent talent development system that operates effectively across the region
* Line manage Talent Managers (1 in 2020) to offer high quality, development focused programmes for age group players to help them maximise their potential
* Ensure that all talent development and performance environments are driven by the social and emotional development needs of players alongside traditional performance requirements
* Work closely with partners to ensure the ongoing development of the workforce tasked with influencing the women’s & girls’ game and maximise bespoke learning opportunities for these individuals
* Be informed in best practice and expertise across the fields of talent development and talent identification to support the drive for a world leading pathway for women and girls

**Participation and Growth**

The Regional Director of Women’s Cricket will:

* Work with Counties in the region to deliver high quality experiences for females introduced to the game for the first time
* Work with key partners to ensure the current players are provided with outstanding experiences through cricket
* Work with Counties in the region to provide an inclusive, transparent and supportive transition from recreational cricket into talent pathway programmes to allow players to maximise potential
* Work in collaboration with the Regional Head of Participation and Growth to prioritise the delivery of participation and growth initiatives across the region for women and girls

The Regional Director of Women’s Cricket is a key strategic and leadership role in delivering the high performance and elite women’s cricket ambitions within the Transform Women’s and Girls’ Cricket that sits as one of six priorities in the ECB strategy - Inspiring Generations 2020-2024.

This exciting opportunity to shape the future of female cricket will be achieved through collaborative working relationships and the role will require working with senior executives across the West Midlands Region and within the ECB in order to maximise exposure and raise the profile of women’s and girls’ cricket.

The nature of this leadership role requires the ability to manage and lead individuals as well as multi-disciplinary teams operating across the whole spectrum of the player pathway.

**Skills, Knowledge and Experience**

* Excellent leadership, communication, interpersonal and influencing skills
* Extensive experience of delivering strategy through innovative and engaging interventions
* Experience and skills in budgeting, planning, programming, organisation and monitoring of key strategic priorities
* Knowledge of best practice principles underpinning talent development environments

**Personal Attributes**

* A clear passion for changing lives and making a difference through sport
* High standards of personal and professional integrity
* High levels of energy and enthusiasm
* Resilience and a string drive to drive change
* Honesty and openness
* An appetite to constantly seek improvement in all aspects of work

**How to Apply**

If you have the experience, skills and passion for making change and the enthusiasm and energy levels to engage and achieve this, please submit your written application, including covering letter and CV outlining why you should be considered for the role. Please send to Paris Quinn at parisquinn@edgbaston.com .

**Closing date for applications is Friday 15th November 2019.**