

PRESS RELEASE

FROM: Fiona Bruce MP for Congleton Constituency

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Fiona Bruce MP meets School Sport Coordinator and former Olympic champion at Westminster

Fiona Bruce MP met, yesterday in the House of Commons, with Matthew Parker, Partnership Development Manager of the Sandbach School Sport Partnership (SSSP) to hear more about the good work being done by SSSP in her constituency. Also at the meeting to help highlight the positive work of SSPs across the country was Denise Lewis the former Olympic Heptathlon champion.

After a productive meeting, Matthew said:

'We are really privileged to have Fiona fighting our corner. A lot of constituencies don't have that'.

Fiona said:

'It was a pleasure to meet Matthew, someone who is clearly so passionate about his work and to hear first hand of the excellent sports teaching being coordinated right across my constituency in all the High Schools and 44 Primary Schools. I was particularly impressed with the full calendar of inter and intra school competitions at both junior and senior level in so many differing sports including basketball, badminton, volleyball and table tennis being played to such a high level, much of it as a result of the specialist teaching available from the SSSP.'

I am passing this confirmation of the amount and standard of competitive sports being played in my constituency on to Michael Gove since this is an issue he has highlighted in the House as one of importance – it is clearly happening locally through the work of the SSSP.

At the meeting, Denise Lewis told Fiona:

'I am very pleased to be able to come to support the good work of School Sport Partnerships and thank Fiona for coming also'.

Note to Editor

- 1) Fiona Bruce MP with Matthew Parker discussing the work of the SSSP
- 2) Denise Lewis, Matthew and Fiona Bruce MP at the House of Commons

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