

Frankie Brown leaves Hibs to join Bristol Academy.



Hibs' boss Willie Kirk has paid tribute to Scotland defender Frankie Brown who has left Hibs after nine years to take up a job at Bath University where she will be joining FAWSL side Bristol Academy.

During that period, Frankie helped her childhood heroes to win every domestic honour and competed in the Women's Champions League.

After her final game, a 7-1 win over Inverness where fittingly she scored the final goal, manager Kirk told Hibernian TV: "A manager looks for reliable players and Frankie was certainly one.

"She put the team before herself on many occasions such was her commitment and she will go with our best wishes.

"Frankie is a great person as well as a great player and we made her captain for her final match against Inverness.

"We will look to bring in a replacement but we have a number of players that could step in and handle it if need be."

Fittingly Frankie scored the last goal in the final minute of her Hibs' before leaving the field to a rousing reception.

Kirk continued: "We made a terrific start; we were on the front foot and killed the game.

"It was a non-event after the first quarter-of-an-hour, which we would of course take every week if we could.

"We didn't allow Inverness to get a foothold in the game or

give them something to build on but they are not a bad team and gave us problems.

“We tried to be focussed and professional throughout because we take pride in keeping clean sheets and we want to cut out losing silly goals in games that are already won.”