Staff and players from Cricket Scotland visit the Hibs' Training Centre

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The Hibs' Training Centre welcomed staff and players from Cricket Scotland this week.

National Performance Coach, Toby Bailey, Strength and Conditioning Coach Simon Smith, Gordon Drummond, who is the Performance Pathway Manager, and the Communications Manager Ben Fox all attended, along with internationalists Michael Leask and Mark Watt.

The cricketers witnessed a development squad gym session with a commentary from Strength and Conditioning Coach Paul Green, and received a welcome and an explanation of the Academy's vision and ambition from George Craig, Head of Football Operations.

Then it was into the Performance Analysis Suite for presentations from Head of Talent Identification and Recruitment Graeme Mathie and Calvin Charlton, Head of Performance Analysis. There was time in both sessions to share approaches and to learn about processes and requirements.

Ater lunch there was a tour of the facility and a few words with Chief Executive Leeann Dempster, followed by a question and answer session with the development squad players as part of their education programme.

Education and Welfare Officer Seán McPartlin declared himself delighted with the visit: "Sharing ideas with other sports provides a great perspective for the young players, who can identify the requirements common to all sporting success, and

also reflect on the support they receive from staff and facilities at Hibernian. It was interesting for staff in all departments to compare approaches, given the varying requirements of the two sports."