

Hibs sign former Bolton midfielder Josh Vela on three-year deal



Hibs have signed 25-year-old midfielder Josh Vela on a three year deal subject to international clearance.

Vela, who will wear number six joined Bolton Wanderers at the age of seven and spent 17 years with the club – making 182 appearances along the way.

Head Coach Paul Heckingbottom told Hibs' Media: "I'm delighted to have been able to sign Josh.

"He will add energy and a competitive edge to our midfield.

"Josh is an all-round midfielder with the athleticism to support attacks and play on the front foot, helping us win the ball back.

“He was worth the wait and I’m glad we were patient in order to land him.”

Vela who played alongside Christian Doidge at the University of Bolton Stadium, added: “Hibernian were persistent when I had offers from other teams and that played a big part in me coming here.

“Every player wants to feel wanted and I was really impressed with everything that I heard, then what I saw when I came for a look myself.

“The manager went into real detail about he wants from me – as a person and tactically – and I feel like I can help him achieve what he wants to do with the club.

“It’s exciting, to be honest. It’s a new challenge for me after spending so long at one club, in a new environment and I’m just looking forward to getting started with the rest of the boys.”