

To be named Hibs' captain is the "biggest honour of my career so far" says Joe Newell

Joe Newell has signed a contract extension and has been named Hibs club captain for the upcoming 2024/25 campaign.

The 31-year-old has penned a new two-year contract extension, keeping him at Easter Road until summer 2027.

The midfielder joined the Hibs in the summer of 2019 and during his time with the club so far, the Englishman has made 189 appearances to date, scoring 10 goals and winning the club's Player of the Year and Player's Player of the Year in the 2022/23 season.

He has captained the team 29 times in total.

He said: "I am delighted to extend my time at this great club. Everyone who knows me knows how much Hibs means to me and I am grateful to be able to commit my future to here.

"To be named Club Captain is the biggest honour of my career so far.

"I was looking at the list of previous Hibs captains and to be added to that list of names and follow in the footsteps of some great players is an absolute privilege and truly means the world to me.

“We are all looking forward to the new season and I will do everything I can as captain to make sure we are successful this year.”

Hibernian FC Head Coach, David Gray, added: “First of all, I am delighted that Joe has committed his future to the Club.

“He is a great example to the young players at the Football Club, he is an excellent player and has maintained a high level of consistency with his performances over the years.

“It was an easy decision for me to name Joe as Club Captain. From playing alongside him to coaching him, I know what he is like as a competitor and a leader both on and off the pitch.

“He is a great personality to have around the dressing room, understands the Club inside out and has a real connection with our supporters.

“I know he will embrace this new role and play a big part in driving the standards of this Football Club.”