

New four year deal for Hibs defender Kanayo Megwa

Hibs defender Kanayo Megwa has signed a new contract extending his stay at the Club until summer 2028.

The 20-year-old full-back already has over 50 senior appearances to his name, featuring eight times for Hibs whilst spending time on loan at Airdrieonians and Kelty Hearts.

Kanayo joined Hibs in 2021 and has gone from strength-to-strength ever since.

During his time within the Academy, the defender won the CAS Elite League with the U18s, before playing a key role in a memorable U19s' UEFA Youth League campaign during the 2022/23 campaign.

At the end of that season, Kanayo was awarded the Club's Academy Player of the Year Award.

The versatile defender made his First Team debut at the beginning of the 2023/24 before enjoying a fruitful spell at Airdrieonians, featuring 30 times (28 starts) and helping Rhys McCabe's side reach the Championship Play-Offs.

He impressed again in pre-season and has made a further three First Team appearances under David Gray this summer.

Hibs Head Coach, David Gray said: "I'm really pleased that Kanayo has committed his future to the Club.

"He has quietly gone about his business in the last few years

and he fully deserves and has earned a new deal.

“Having worked with him for a few years now, I know he has a great attitude, and a real desire to get better every day. He is a great athlete who enjoys defending and is improving every day.

“He has shown he is capable of making that step up into the First Team and he needs to keep working hard to keep improving and push for that starting spot.”

Sporting Director, Malky Mackay added: “We’re delighted that Kanayo has extended his contract with us.

He has really kicked on since his loan spell at Airdrieonians last season, and he has proved that he is capable of adapting and competing at a high level.

“He already has over 50 senior appearances to his name, which is a good indication of where he is at and the bright future he has ahead of him.”