

Amazin' deal means new kit for local football teams

Firrhill High School and the Kevin Thomson Academy have been given more than £3,000 of new equipment for their football teams to use. This results from a partnership between David Pollacchi, Managing Director of Lomax Sports, and Amazon Edinburgh.

The teams are now in possession of embroidered sportswear, footballs and cones which the academy will use in partnership with the school – which has also received two sets of 11 a side school football kits.

The Kevin Thomson Academy (KTA) offers football coaching across the city through classes, private and team sessions. The Academy is run Kevin Thomson, a former Scottish professional footballer who played for clubs including Hibs, Middlesbrough and Rangers.

David Pollacchi has a proven track record of making a tangible difference within communities in Edinburgh and has been formally recognised by Sportscotland, Scottish Football Association and the City of Edinburgh for driving sporting initiatives to improve the mental and physical wellbeing of children within the city.

The kit was handed over at a recent event.

Ethan Smith from Amazon in Edinburgh said: "As an avid football fan, I'm so pleased Amazon has supported Firrhill High School and the Kevin Thomson Academy with these donations. It was a pleasure meeting pupils and members of the school and academy, and I hope this donation makes a lasting impact."

Kevin Thomson added: "We want to express our thanks to Ethan and the team at Amazon in Edinburgh for this donation. Football is our passion and with donations like this, we can continue to support young people across the city in developing their skills and keeping fit. Huge thanks to David Pollacchi for managing and facilitating the whole process end to end over a number of months. We look forward to our training with Firrhill High School."

Graham Hamilton, Headteacher at Firrhill High School, said: "Thank you to David Pollacchi and Kevin Thomson, generously supported by Amazon in Edinburgh, for this donation of equipment, which means so much to our pupils. It was great to meet David, Kevin and the team from Amazon and we look forward to the sessions run by the Kevin Thomson Academy and to many victories in these new strips."

Community donations and employee volunteering are just two of the ways Amazon supports the communities where it operates. Amazon co-founded The Big House Multibank in Fife with former UK Prime Minister Gordon Brown to support to families in need. The Multibank network has now donated more than 4 million surplus goods to over 400,000 families across Scotland, Wales, Greater Manchester, and London.



Amazon staff make a donation to the Kevin Thomson Football Academy and Firhill High School in Edinburgh.
Pictured left to right: Ethan Smith (Amazon), David Pollacchi MD Lomax Sports, Kevin Thomson and Jonathan Allan (Amazon)



Pictured left to right: Kevin Thomson and Graham Hamilton
(Head Teacher Firhill High School)



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Pictured left to right. :

David Pollacchi MD Lomax Sports

Ethan Smith (Amazon)

Carson Thomson (11)

Kevin Thomson

Ross Monaghan (PE Teacher at Firhill High School)

Jonathan Allan (Amazon)

Graham Hamilton (Head Teacher Firhill High School)