

Honorary Chairman ERFSU U16 Playing Committee

The England Rugby Football Schools Union is seeking to appoint an Honorary 16 Group Chairman. The post-holder will lead the ERFSU U16 Playing Committee comprising the Team Manager, Head Coach, Chairman of Selectors, Divisional Delivery Team Chairmen and International Festival Director and work closely with the RFU appointed Team Administrator to achieve the stated objectives of its 16 Group programme.

The position is for an 'overtime' volunteer and is unpaid, although travelling expenses will be reimbursed.

The RFU has entrusted the delivery of its U16 representative programme to the ERFSU. This comprises a series of inter-CB and inter-Divisional matches designed to identify the country's most talented U16 players, who are then provided with the further development opportunities offered by competition, against international opposition either as part of North and South squads taking part in the International Festival held annually during the Easter break or as members of the full England U16 squad which currently plays two international matches during the same period.

Working very closely with the RFU-appointed Team Administrator who is based at Twickenham, the 16 Group Chairman will share in both the advance planning and then the general operations of all 16 Group activities. Crucially the chairman will be responsible for the affairs of the 16 Group Playing Committee throughout the season – currently the Committee meets three times per year.

He/she will also represent 16 Group on both the ERFSU Executive Committee and the RFU Age-Grade Representative Rugby Working Group. It is therefore vital that the Chairman be familiar with and committed to the RFU/ERFSU's policies in respect of schools and youth rugby as set down in the Player Pathway Report published in May 2010. This document can be viewed at [RFU.com/RFU Player Development Pathway Task Group Report](http://RFU.com/RFU%20Player%20Development%20Pathway%20Task%20Group%20Report).

The applicant should be generally respected as a person of authority within the game, with a background in schools and youth rugby. He/she will demonstrate the organisational and management skills commensurate with such a position, combined with tact and diplomacy.

Applications in writing together with a Rugby CV should be sent to The Recruitment Officer, Rugby House, Rugby Road, Twickenham, TW1 1DS, or by email to recruitment@therfu.com.

Closing date for applications is Thursday, February 16, 2012.

Interviews will be held approximately 2-3 weeks from this date.

For further information, and/or for an informal discussion please contact Fred Batchelor on 01483 275173 or fredbatchelor@therfu.com

The RFU operates a policy of equal opportunity. To help us monitor this, if applying by CV, please [complete our monitoring form](#) and attach it with your application. The information you provide will only be used for monitoring purposes.

Application Deadline

16 February 2012

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