Adam Breeze England Deaf Futsal Player

"Profoundly Deaf, I am over seventh generation of Deaf family. I have been involved in sports since young age, passionate on keeping active and play football and Futsal for Birmingham Deaf FC.

I have represented England and Great Britain at International competitions. I have been selected for England Deaf Men Futsal Squad going to Brazil in November 2023 – playing in World Deaf Futsal Championship. This is our first time we have qualified for the competition, having achieve best finish position in European Championship in 2022.

Without funding, particularly in last 3 years, I have had to raise and fund over £2,500 of my own money to enable me attending the European and World Championships, as well as attend trainings and other matches. This has been extremely difficult period for me – in what should normally be something of high focus on my individual and team performance – retain and achieve highest fitness ready for the championships.

This has been filled with worry and my personal campaign to seek support and ask for financial donations from family and friends. After the World Championship – I want to continue football and futsal, and represent Team GB at Deaflympics – but I don't know if this will be step too far as I am physically and mentally exhausted.

The coach and support I have received with England Deaf International Futsal has been fantastic – we all give up our time and dedicate them to help us train, prepare and achieve our goals together."



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