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Jonathan Vickers appointed to UK Sport

Gerry Sutcliffe, Minister for Sport, has appointed Jonathan Vickers as a Board Member of UK Sport. His term of appointment will run from 27 October 2008 for three years.

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Jonathan Vickers spent 25 years in the international oil and chemicals industries, latterly as a board member of Castrol and of Burmah Chemicals. Since leaving the private sector in 2001, he has served as a non-executive director on the boards of a range of public sector organisations, including agencies, NDPBs, Connexions partnerships, a Government Office, and a Strategic Health Authority. He also participated in the Capability Reviews of the DTI and the Home Office. He is currently a board member of The Children's Workforce Development Council, Dairy Co Ltd, NHS South West and The Fire Service College. His voluntary sector activities include work with a number of sports and arts organisations.

Background

UK Sport co-ordinates overall policy on the support of elite sport and major events at the UK level, and operates as the National Anti-Doping Agency for the UK. It also manages international relationships and co-ordinates a UK-wide approach to any international issues.

Appointments to the Board of UK Sport are made by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, and follow the OCPA Code of Practice. All public appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process. However, in accordance with the original Nolan recommendations, there is a requirement for political activity (if any declared) to be made public. Mr Vickers has declared no political activity in the UK in the last five years.