

# Candidate Summary for AGM Election to Scottish Hockey Board

## Board nominated – Performance Director

**Vishal Marwaha** is a highly accomplished sports coach, business owner, and leader with extensive experience in performance sports and business management.

### Sporting Achievements

- Former international field hockey player for Scotland and Great Britain, earning 256 caps and competing in two Commonwealth Games.
- Served as part of the leadership group and was the first person of Asian descent to captain Scotland, fostering inclusivity and a positive team environment.

### Coaching Experience

- Head Coach for Scotland U21 Men's team and Assistant Coach for Senior Men's team, demonstrating strong leadership and programme development skills.
- Led Western Wildcats Men's team to multiple national titles, including unbeaten seasons, and contributed to player development and tactical analysis. Currently Director of Hockey overseeing both Men's and Ladies programs.

### Administrative & Board Roles

- Director of Business and President at Western Wildcats Hockey Club, overseeing finance, operations, and club development. Successfully managed major projects, secured funding, and improved club facilities.
- Non-Executive Director on the Scottish Golf Board, advising on performance strategy, talent identification, and programme management.

### Business Leadership

- Director of MM Eyecare Group, managing a chain of independent opticians and supporting a team of 30 staff.
- Founded and grew Visioncare At Home, a domiciliary eyecare business with UK-wide coverage and a team of 120 employees.

**Vishal Marwaha** brings a wealth of experience in leadership, team development, business management, and strategic planning. Their proven track record in both sport and business makes them an outstanding candidate for election at the AGM<sup>1</sup>.