

Dorset physiotherapy business signs deal with National League football side

A physiotherapy business in Dorset has signed a deal which will see it provide treatment for players with Vanarama National League side Weymouth Football Club.

Bridge Health and Wellbeing has become an official sponsor of the semi-professional club, which play in the fifth tier of the English football pyramid.

The family-run clinic offers physiotherapy, chiropractic, sports massage and rehabilitation services, as well Pilates, yoga and Qigong classes, from its space on Bridge Street in Christchurch.

The deal will see the business become a health and wellbeing partner at the club, with pitchside advertising hoarding promoting the practice during the team's home matches at the 6,600 capacity Bob Lucas Stadium.

Paul O'Connell, lead physiotherapist and co-founder of Bridge Health and Wellbeing, said the company was "delighted" to be working with Weymouth FC and the company had already treated several of their players for football-related injuries.

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Mr O'Connell said: "We are keen to make sure players get back to full strength as quickly as possible and are ready to give their best on the pitch for the fans.

"As a major sports team in our area, we are proud to be playing our part in supporting their success."

The Terras' first team manager and former Wales international player Brian Stock said: "It is important that as a club we look after our players.

"Knowing we have the added help and expertise from Bridge Health and Wellbeing will give us the reassurance we need to protect our players."

Weymouth FC secured two promotions over the previous three seasons, after being crowned Southern League Premier champions in the 2018/2019 season, and then beating Dartford in the National League South play-off final at the end of the 2019/20

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