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### **PUMA AND NIKITA PARRIS OPEN NEW SPORTS COURT TO GIVE THE YOUTH OF TOXTETH ACCESS TO FACILITIES TO PLAY SAFE AND CHASE THEIR SPORTING DREAMS**

**PUMA hosted a special event which featured the opening of the facility, attended by family, friends, and local children from Nikita's local leisure centre**

**Herzogenaurach, Germany – September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022** – Following an incredible summer of women's football, PUMA and Nikita Parris have worked together to refurbish the Princes Park Methodist Centre sports court located in her hometown of Toxteth. The newly renovated sports court will provide a safe space for local kids in the community to play football and other sports with the aim to give them the opportunity to stay active and chase their sporting dreams.

The new sports court was unveiled by Nikita in a special launch event in Toxteth with her friends and family from the community. The event hosted a group of young girls and boys from the local leisure centre to meet their hero and play in a number of small sided games to celebrate the opening of the new facility. The new sports court will be open to all children in the local area giving everyone the chance to play.

The project began when Nikita decided the time was right to refurbish the old facility where she started to play football as a young girl. The aim is to give a new generation the platform to enjoy playing sport.

Speaking at the opening of the Nikita Parris x PUMA Sports Court, Nikita Parris said, "I am so proud to be able to give back to my community. I grew up in the area and this sports court was the start of my football journey. I want to inspire a new generation of young girls and boys to try sports and to pursue their dreams of playing sport at the highest level. This is a place I felt safe as a child and now I want to provide a safe place for a new generation of children in the area."

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**IMAGERY:**

**Nikita Parris x PUMA Sports Court Event**

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