

LTA President Sandi Procter – visit to Essex Tennis & Padel

In November, Essex had the privilege of welcoming Sandi Procter to tour some of the brilliant tennis and padel venues within Essex County.

To start they visited the fantastic new padel facility being built by Beaulieu Padel. Hearing from Wendy Hunt and Wendy Brampton about the exciting plans for the venue, with great facilities. Two truly inspiring ladies who have a brilliant venue, which we look forward to on its launch.



Then, they travelled to Brentwood School to meet Headmaster Michael Bond, Head of Prep Alica Goodfellow and Head of Senior Tennis Mark Simpson-Crick to see for ourselves the brilliant work the team are doing in Brentwood Tennis Academy.

Next stop was Theydon Bois Lawn Tennis Club, where Sandi along with Mike Jones and Paul Marks from the Essex Tennis team, enjoyed some lovely tea and cakes. They heard from Chair Fiona Jones, Head Coach Heidi Cornwall and club members about the matters our small clubs are facing. There was an opportunity to share some ideas to help the club move forward as it plans to do.



Later, a visit to the Essex Tennis Office in Redbridge. Where Celine Rogers and Menisha Narbheram spoke with Sandi about the role of the ETO in helping clubs and venues in the county. Our u8 County training session was in full swing with 32 players on court, headed by Performance coaches Nigel Parsons and Dave Wright. Sandi met the parents of the players and watched the on-court action!

Lastly, Sandi joined members of the Essex Tennis Board for a well-earned dinner and a chance to talk about the work being done within our County and the steps being made to support our clubs and venues across the whole county.

