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VIVO Defence sponsors Plymouth hockey club in bid to help more children participate in sport

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<u>VIVO Defence Services</u> is sponsoring Plymouth Marjon hockey club – donating money for new shirts for the Men's first XI and to their hardship fund, which aims to help more children gain a positive attitude to sport.

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The Men's first X1 – who play in the EHL Conference West and have been in the National League since promotion in 2018-19 – wore their new VIVO sponsored shirts during a home league game against the Exeter-based Isca 1s earlier this month.

The Plymouth Marjon club – which has teams for children aged from five as well as for adults – will also use the money from VIVO to help finance children from local school's wishing to play hockey but unable to afford the equipment, such as hockey sticks, trainers, pads and kit.

Jackie Daw, their Chair, said: "Plymouth Marjon Hockey Club is working hard to remove the barriers that prevent children from accessing hockey. VIVO's financial contribution towards the new hardship fund will go a long way to providing the equipment that might otherwise prevent children joining the club.

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Jerry Moloney, VIVO Defence Services Managing Director, said: "We at VIVO are committed to providing social value in the areas we serve and providing sponsorship for the Plymouth Marjon hockey club and its hardship fund for local children is a great way to help local communities.

"We sponsor various sports teams across the country as we believe they help people's skills around teamwork and team building and are good for the wellbeing of people of all ages."

Plymouth Marjon Hockey Club already has a link with a local Primary School, near Yelverton, and VIVO Defence's contribution to the hardship fund will help to support these children taking part.

For more information on the club go to http://www.pmhc.co.uk/

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