

# SECOND CAREER

CASE STUDY: FOOTBALL and RESIDENTIAL SURVEYING

**Name:** Scott Boden **Age:** 31

**From:** Sheffield

## Playing Career Summary:

Scott left school to take up a football scholarship and has played professional football for the last 13 years in the lower leagues from League 1 to the National League. He is currently contracted to Chesterfield and is on loan to Torquay United.

**Second Career:** Residential Surveying

## Support from Player Association:

Scott wasn't sure what he wanted to do after football but he'd always had an interest in property and after contacting Paul Raven at the PFA, they had a lot of conversations about different options, he spoke to a surveyor and did some further research into courses. The PFA are now supporting him to carry out a two year Level 6 Diploma course in Residential Surveying.

## Second Career Highlights:

- Being able to apply surveying skills to help when making decisions on properties to buy.
- Finding a qualification which offers such a broad range of opportunities and will give him a career that is formally recognised (ie. Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors).

## Second Career Challenges:

- Doing something completely new having only ever played football so having to focus in front of a laptop is quite nerve wracking.
- Balancing his studies with family life and football.



“ I already feel so much happier finding something I really want to do. All the people I've spoken to who've done something similar say the course is invaluable and that it's really beneficial both in the short term and long term for a career working in the property sector. ”

