

Raza Siddique's influence within rugby league has been shaped not through headline-grabbing playing moments, but through leadership, expertise, and an exceptional understanding of the game at the highest level. His journey demonstrates that impact in rugby league is not limited to what happens on the pitch, but also through the pathways, systems, and decisions that shape the next generation of players.

Rugby league has been a constant presence in Raza's life from a young age. He

played community rugby for Moldgreen ARLFC and represented Rawthorpe High School, growing up in a deeply rugby-focused environment. Alongside his brother Amar, and surrounded by future professional players such as Danny Brough, Michael Lawrence, and Jermaine McGilvary, as well as figures like Ikram Butt and Junaid Malik, Raza developed a deep appreciation and understanding of the game from an early age.

As his playing journey evolved, Raza's passion for coaching, development, and talent

identification became clear. While studying for a degree in Sports Coaching, he completed a range of coaching qualifications across multiple sports, including rugby league. During this period, he volunteered extensively at grassroots level, coaching at his son's clubs — Moldgreen, Newsome Panthers, and Siddal — reinforcing his commitment to youth development and community sport.

Following the completion of his degree and teaching qualifications, Raza progressed into elite talent identification roles across both professional football and rugby league. His rugby league career included several years working in Talent Identification at Huddersfield Giants, followed by a similar role at St Helens RLFC. He later transitioned into elite recruitment before moving into his current role at Wigan Warriors, where he now leads talent identification and recruitment across Yorkshire — a position that reflects the trust placed in his expertise by one of the most successful clubs in the game.



Alongside his work in elite sport, Raza also serves as Assistant Principal at an outstanding sixth form, continuing to inspire young people through education, leadership, and opportunity. His story highlights the power of hard work, commitment, and education in breaking down barriers and creating pathways — both within rugby league and beyond.

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