



## MANOR TO ENTER 2016 FIA WORLD ENDURANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

**For its 27<sup>th</sup> year of racing, Manor will compete in the full FIA WEC season including the 24 hours of Le Mans.**

**Paris, France**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2016, 15:30hrs CET**

Twenty-six years after entering its first season of competition, Manor will embark on its first season in the FIA World Endurance Championship which will include the legendary 24 Hours of Le Mans race.

Manor Motorsport has established a subsidiary, Manor Endurance Racing Limited, which will initially enter one car into the LMP2 class of the championship which kicks-off with the UK based team's home race at Silverstone on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

The team will announce the full race driver line-up ahead of the official pre-season test event, The Prologue, to be held at the Paul Ricard circuit in France at the end of March.

### **John Booth, Team Principal, Manor**

"We are delighted to be joining the World Endurance Championship. It is a fantastic series that visits iconic tracks all over the world. The level of competition is very high and we are really looking forward to racing again.

"The LMP2 class is specifically designed for teams independent of manufacturers and/or engine suppliers which places the focus firmly on how the team performs.

"I can't wait to see the car running now. We have lots to do but we have a great team of people to get it all done"

### **Graeme Lowdon, Sporting Director, Manor**

"It's really great to be racing again and the FIA World Endurance Championship provides a fantastic challenge for us.

"Pre-season testing starts soon and there is a lot to do but we have never been afraid of a bit of hard work.

"There is a real buzz within the team at the moment, we have enjoyed great support from the fans over the last few months and we are very keen for them to get fully involved in what we are doing. We all have a great passion for motorsport and we are keen to share that passion."

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