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# TOWN TALK

Volume #5

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**VS TRING ATHLETIC,  
TUE 13TH OCT, 19:30 KO,  
BELL CLOSE**







# WELCOME TO TOWN TALK

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Welcome to the 2020/21 Matchday Programme. We've gone to real effort to make this year's programme, our best yet, so please feel free to give us any feedback you may have. A warm welcome to this afternoon's visitors, Biggleswade United.

## WHAT'S IN THE PROGRAMME

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### **PAGE 4: A WORD FROM THE PRESS BOX**

Kieran Carvell gives you the rundown of all recent and upcoming Town news and fixtures!

### **PAGE 11: THE LOWDOWN WITH JAMES TOWELL**

One of our finest gives us the lowdown this time, it's James Towell!

### **PAGE 14: SUPPORTERS SAY WITH ANDREW PARKER**

Andrew Parker is in the hot seat this evening for Supporters Say.

## TODAY'S TIE

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### **OPPOSITION**

Tring Athletic

### **TIME & VENUE**

7:30PM at Bell Close

### **COMPETITION**

Spartan South Midlands  
Premier Division



# PEOPLE AT THE CLUB

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The hard-working volunteers at our Football Club:

**Acting Chairman:** Steve Harris

**Director of Football:** Sean Downey

**First Team Managers:** Joe Sweeney and Paul Copson

**Physio Team:** John Rutherford and Lorraine Smith

**Secretary:** Roy Parker

**Photographer:** Andrew Parker

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**Groundsman:** Bruce Warner

**Media:** Kieran Carvell





# A WORD FROM THE PRESS BOX

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Welcome to Bell Close for this evening's SSML Premier Division tie, against our local rivals, Tring Athletic. A warm welcome to our visitors this evening, who have made the short journey to be here with us.

We come into the game having suffered our first league defeat of the season, being beaten 1-0 at Bell Close on Saturday to Biggleswade United. However, despite the defeat, we had a maximum capacity crowd 320 (including volunteers/officials). This turned out to be the highest/joint-highest attendance in the whole country at Step 5 on Saturday. Unbelievable support for our club and we thank you all most kindly. For the full report from Saturday, head further down the programme.

In today's programme we have a great interview with Mr. Versatile, James Towell and an equally as good one with supporter, Andrew Parker.

Tring Athletic are today's visitors, who haven't won a game so far in the league. However, having beaten us in Pre-Season and showing a good performance last Tuesday at Potton, it will not be easy tonight at Bell Close.

Keep an eye out for Leiston this evening! Our FA Cup victors take on AFC Telford United of the National League North at home tonight. What a night that could've been...

But, tonight promises to be just as good. with your brilliant support, at Bell Close, underneath the lights, against a local rival! Let's do it.

Enjoy the Game!





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# YOUR TOWN, YOUR HISTORY

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Leighton Town, who were known as Leighton United between 1922 and 1963, were formed in 1885. They were mainly involved in local leagues until the outbreak of the Great War, and were winners of the Leighton and District League on several occasions. Leighton were one of the original members of the South Midland League in 1922 – which at the time was known as the Bedfordshire County League. They were also members of the Spartan League between 1922/23 and 1951/52, but their only successes being the Spartan League Division 2 title in 1923/24 and 1927/28. They were Bedfordshire Senior Cup winners in 1926/27.

In 1952, they became a founder member of the Hellenic League, but after two disappointing seasons, moved to the South Midlands League. In 1965/66 season however, the Premier Championship sat in the Leighton Town Boardroom. The club then rejoined the Spartan League in 1967/68.

Leighton proceeded to consolidate their League success by winning the Bedfordshire Senior Cup for three successive seasons in 1968, 1969 and 1970. Unfortunately, some of the successful players moved onto other clubs, and Leighton's fortunes again declined. A move to the United Counties League proved disastrous and, after just two seasons, the club rejoined the South Midlands League. During the '70's and '80's, Leighton were unable to capture the success of the '60's.

In 1990/1991 the First Team won the South Midlands League Challenge Trophy and the O'Brien's Premier Division Cup, both for the first time. The 1991/2 season was one of the club's best ever. The South Midlands Premier Division title, which had eluded the club for so long, was won, and with it a place in the Isthmian League.

1992/3 saw the Club's success continue when they won the Bedfordshire Senior Cup for the first time since 1970. The Club missed out on promotion in their first Isthmian League season by just a single point but the Youth Team retained the County Cup. 1995/6 saw the First Team win promotion to Division 2 of the Isthmian League, whilst at the same time retaining the Buckingham Charity Cup.

In the 1996/7 season, Leighton won the Isthmian League Associated Members Trophy for the first time. 1998/99 saw the return of the Associated Members Trophy and the Buckingham Charity Cup.

Season 2003/04 was arguably one of the Club's best ever, as the First Team won the Ryman Isthmian Second Division title. The team was also named Ryman Division Two Team of the Year, and Paul Burgess was awarded Manager of the Year. They also reached the Fifth round of the FA Vase, and the final of the Beds Senior Cup, before losing to Andover and Arlesey respectively.





# YOUR TOWN, YOUR HISTORY

The 2004-05 season saw the club placed in The Southern League East Division and finished in a creditable tenth place. They also won the Buckinghamshire Charity Cup. The Reserves won the Bedfordshire Intermediate Cup and the U18's won the SCYFL League Shield.e in the club's history.

The 05-06 Season saw the Club progress again, improving on the year before, as they finished 8th in The Southern League West Division. After a poor start, League results improved and the side only suffered four defeats from the start of November until the end of March, a play-off place just eluding them. After three excellent victories interest in the FA.Trophy competition ended with a single goal defeat to eventual semi-finalists, Borehamwood.

The Club also reached the Beds Senior Cup Final, but sadly they again finished as Runners Up.

The Club were relocated to the Southern League, Midland Division for 06-07 season but only one League win in the first six games and early exits in the two FA Competitions cost Paul Burgess his job in September. He was replaced by former Wycombe, professional Keith Scott, results did improve but it was a disappointing season, although Town did win the Bucks Senior Charity Cup.

The 07-08 started brightly with the first League defeat not coming until mid-October. Three wins in the FA Cup saw the Club reach the 4th Qualifying Round for the first time in it's history. A 3-0 defeat to Conference South, Havant and Waterloooville finally ended the run. Keith Scott left in December to join Windsor and Eton. In January 2008, Assistant Manager Sean Downey was appointed as First Team Manager and did a splendid job as the Club ended their League season in 9th place, winning the Bucks Charity Cup and reaching the final of the Beds Senior Cup once more.

The 08/09 Season the First Team finished 8th in the Southern League, Midland Division, achieving their highest points total to date at that level.

The 09/10 season saw Leighton once again finish in the top half of the table, when they finished in 9th place and they also lost the Bedfordshire Senior Cup Final to Southern League rivals, Arlesey Town after penalties.

Season 2010/2011, saw Town finish in 7th place in the League, gaining 69 points, their best performance since joining the Southern Football League.

The 2011/2012 a poor season saw Leighton finish in their lowest position for several years.

2012/13 was also very disappointing for the First Team as they finished in 20th place.





# YOUR TOWN, YOUR HISTORY

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A 2015/2016. After 3 disappointing seasons Leighton finished the season in the bottom two of the Southern League Central Division and were relegated to the Spartan South Midlands League where they had last played in the 1991/92 season.

2016/2017 This was a disappointing season with the club struggling for much of the time after yet another Managerial Change. Things did pick up towards the end of the season and we eventually finished in 16th place.

2017/18 The club retained Scott Reynolds as Manager and finished 4th in the League and reached the Quarter Finals of the FA VASE. Gates improved and it was our best season for about 8 years, however Manager, Scott Reynolds resigned at the end of the season.

2018/2019 The Club appointed experienced coach Danny Nicholls as the new Manager, but he resigned at the start of October. The Club then appointed Joe Sweeney and Paul Copson as their Management Team and results improved but we were unable to reach the top third of the table..

2019/20: A very poor league start saw us with just one point in 8 games. However, fortunes changed and we went 5 months unbeaten in the league, drawing just once. We also had an FA Vase run once more, reaching the Quarter Final stages again, with memorable games over Eastbourne Town and Eynesbury Rovers. When the season was called to a halt due to COVID-19, we were in 7th-place, however had 5 games in-hand on 2nd, with a 14-point gap. Overall, a very competitive and in the end, great season.

2020/21: We'll find out...







# TRING ATHLETIC HISTORY

## THE EARLY YEARS

Tring Athletic Youth FC was formed in March 1958 by a group of local men who contributed towards the purchase of 3.4 acres at Miswell Lane. The cost of providing changing rooms, fencing, equipment and ownership of the ground was approximately £2,000, a lot of money in those days. Committee members, players and friends carried out most of the work, including the building of the changing rooms and during the early days the team had to play on another pitch in Tring. Originally the Club was formed to provide football for youngsters aged under 21 and despite playing against adult teams we won many trophies in the West Herts Saturday League during the early 1960's including the Division 1 title 3 times in 5 years. THE 70's/80's

We then went through a lean spell and in 1971 decided to scrap the upper age limit and drop youth from our name. Many former players returned and we had another successful period during the early 1970's. Over the years many fine players appeared in our shirts and many went on to play for professional/senior clubs.

In the mid-seventies the Miswell Lane ground was sold to the Council and we had a bad time and but for the efforts of a few loyal members would have certainly folded. The Reserves were disbanded and the First Team dropped down to Division 3. We decided to turn to youth again and gradually forced our way back up through the league and by 1986 we were competing in the Premier Division and running a Reserve side again.

## SOUTH MIDLANDS - THE 90's

In 1988 we joined the South Midlands and as a result gained senior status with the Herts FA. In 1989 we entered into a 3 year ground sharing arrangement with Isthmian League side Tring Town moving back to Miswell Lane in 1992 where the Reserves had continued to play. We established ourselves in the South Midlands by gaining promotion to the newly formed Senior Division in 1993. In 1994/95 the First Team reached the final of the Senior Division Cup whilst the Reserves were finalists in the Apsley Junior Cup for the second year running. In 1996/97 we led the Senior Division throughout the season and looked favourites to win the title. However, some unlucky defeats in the last few games saw us drop down to 3rd place. In addition to our impressive league form we also had some terrific cup runs during that season, reaching the semi-final of the Herts Charity Shield and winning the prestigious St. Marys Cup, the first time we had ever achieved such heights. In 1997/98 we just missed out on the Senior Division title by the narrowest of margins to New Bradwell St Peter - a goal difference of just 2! We finished the season in fine style, suffering just 1 defeat in our last 21 league games which included a terrific run of 14 straight wins for which we won a special award from the League. The Reserves went one better by winning their league by a clear 10 points and in doing so achieved 100% success in their league games at home. In 1998/99 we picked up our first major South Midlands trophy when we won the Senior Division Cup. We also won the St Marys Cup for the 2nd time in 3 years. In the league a terrific run of just 1 defeat in our last 28 games saw us finish in 3rd place, 4 points behind champions Holmer Green. During this magnificent run we went 15 hours without conceding a goal. The Reserves also did well finishing 5th in their first season in the top division. The 1999/2000 season proved to be one to remember. During the summer we spent over £50k on building new changing rooms and extending the social and bar area. That meant a total of over £90k had been spent on improving the facilities at Miswell Lane since 1993. To mark the opening of the new changing rooms we played a Watford XI in front of a huge crowd of about 1,000 people. The game was refereed by Graham Poll and Graham Barber. We also expanded on the playing side with a third team being set up to particularly attract young players, a veterans side for ex-players and a Ladies side. The season turned out to be the most successful in the Club's history. In addition to winning the Senior Division title by 11 points we also reached 5 finals. We won the Herts Charity Shield (beating Pottermore Bar Town 2-1), Herts Senior Centenary Trophy (Wormley Rovers 2-0) and the Cherry Red Books Trophy in its inaugural year (Bedmond Sports & Social on penalties after a 1-1 draw). We were narrowly beaten 1-0 by Letchworth in the Senior Division Cup and although we also reached the St Marys Cup final it was never played because of the backlog of fixtures. Our achievements were recognised by the South Midlands who awarded us the Houghton Regis Cup for achievements in outside competitions and Mick Eldridge, Ray Brimmon and Richard Vincent were voted Managers of the Season. In 60 games in all competitions we lost on only 6 occasions, a remarkable achievement. Our other teams also enjoyed success with the Reserves reaching the Final of the Herts Intermediate Cup and the A Team in their first season finishing runners up in the West Herts Division 3.

## THE NEW MILLENNIUM

After finishing the old millennium in style we continued our success into the new one (2000/01) by retaining the Herts Senior Centenary Trophy (again beating Wormley Rovers 2-0) and the Cherry Red Books Trophy (Virginia Water 1-0). The Reserves won the League title and a newly formed B Team claimed the runners-up spot. The following season (2001/02) we won the Herts Charity Shield for the 2nd time beating Letchworth 4-1. The A Team reached the Apsley Junior Cup final and the B Team won the sporting award.

SEASON 2002/03 - More success followed as we capture the Herts Senior Centenary Trophy for the 3rd time, to become the first club to do so. We finished 3rd in the table and won the League Cup for the 2nd time, to make 12 major trophies in 7 years. We were also finalists in the Cherry Red Books Trophy. The A Team finished runners up as did the Under 16's in their first season, the B Team won the sporting award for the 2nd year running and the Ladies had a great run in the Women's FA Cup. For the 3rd year running Darrel Bodimeade won an award for the best playing surface, which is just reward for the tremendous job he does for the club.

SEASON 2003/04 - Following our failure to secure floodlights at Miswell Lane we entered into an historic alliance with Tring Town to play our first and reserve team football in season 2004/05 at Pendley where lights are already in place. The main focus was to be to raise the funds needed to build a new Clubhouse, the previous building burnt down in March 2003. Miswell Lane will be retained and will be used by our A, B, Under 18's and Ladies sides. This new arrangement with Tring Town secured senior level football in the town.

SEASON 2004/05 - New season at a new ground in a new division with fantastic facilities. First team finished 6th in the Premier Division and also won the St Mary's Cup for the 3rd time defeating Hemel Hempstead in the Final. We were also Runners Up in the South Midlands Floodlit Cup Final losing on penalties to Oxhey Jets. Played in the F.A. Vase for the first time.

SEASON 2005/6 - The Club entered the F.A. Cup for the 1st time in its history but was defeated in the prelim round. In a disappointing season the highlight was a victory over Watford in the Herts Senior Trophy with a large crowd enjoying a 1-0 win. Defeat in this competition came at the hands of Stevenage Borough of the Conference league.

SEASON 2007/8 - Winners of Herts Charity Shield - We defeated Weylwn Garden City in the final of this County Cup to win the trophy for the 3rd time in our history. Match played at The County Ground, Letchworth. This was the first trophy for the new management team of Manager, Phil Casserley, Assistant, Terry Nightingale and Coach Julian Robinson.

SEASON 2008/9 - Treble Winners - SSMFL Challenge Trophy Winners - Athletic defeated Chalfont St Peter by 3-2 at Harefield United's ground to lift this trophy in their first appearance in the final of this competition. SSMFL Premier Division Cup Winners - Athletic defeated St Margaretsbury by 2-0 at Colney Heath's ground to lift this trophy in their first appearance in the final. St Marys Cup Winners - Athletic defeated Leverstock Green by 2-1 at Hemel Hempstead's ground to lift this trophy for the 4th time.

SEASON 2009/10 - After last season's tremendous cup haul, this year the First Team finished without a trophy however they finished third in the league, the highest position in the Club's history. The Club also received the higher ground grading required should we be in a promotion position so the foundations have been laid for the future. The managers and players will be hoping to put in a challenge for the title in season 2010/11. The B Team did however win some silverware for the Club when they won the Sir Stanley Rous Challenge Cup at Hemel Hempstead Town's ground.

SEASON 2010/11 - The First team finished in the highest position, runners up to Chalfont St Peter in the SSMFL Premier Division, in their history so far. They also won the St. Mary's Cup for the fifth time, defeating Leverstock Green 2-1 after extra time. The season finished with a 2-0 defeat to Royston Town in the South Midland Floodlit Cup Final.

SEASON 2011/12 - Julian Robinson and Tony Armitage took charge in the summer of 2011 knowing that many of last years successful First Team had departed. A great re-building job was undertaken with a very credible 6th position achieved in the league and defeats by the odd goal in 3 cup semi-finals. A good influx of younger players with a years experience behind them will hopefully provide the base for a good start to next season. The Reserves also had a good season bleeding a large number of players and again have a young group of players to move forward with. The Ladies had their best ever season winning their league and reaching the County Cup Final for the first time where they were not disgraced when defeated by Arsenal Ladies. Our Youth team also won their league and will play in a floodlit mid-week league next season.

SEASON 2012/13 - Mixed season with the 1st team winning their initial F.A. Cup tie at Bedford and then losing in the next round to Ashford Town after a replay, in the F.A. Vase we lost at first hurdle to FC Romania. In the League we finished just below half way, lost on penalties to Hadley in the semi final of the Premier Division Cup and were finalists in the St Mary's Cup losing to local rivals Berkhamsted. Midway through the season Tony Armitage left and Ian Richardson stepped up from the Reserves to assist Julian Robinson. Long serving, Stuart Stedman, was appointed coach to assist Colin Phillips with the Reserves who again had an excellent year bringing many players through to the First team. The 'A' Team, under Dave Adamson and James Bevan won the West Herts Peace Memorial Cup for the first time in the Club's history. The 'B' team and Youth teams were well run whilst unfortunately the Ladies team withdrew from their league through lack of players.

SEASON 2013/14 - The Reserves were promoted to the SFL Premier Division having finished second on goal difference to Royston Town. The Club was also awarded the Dave Pugh Trophy for hospitality shown to officials.

SEASON 2014/15 - The First Team finished 10th in SSMFL fielding a young side, the Reserves found the SFL Premier Division tough but had some great trips to senior clubs and start season 2015-16 in the North Division. The U16's had a tough year but a number of players progressed through to the Reserves and First Team. The U15's also found life tough having gained promotion the previous year. The First team completed their season losing by a single late goal to Hemel Hempstead and gave a credible performance in the Final of the St Mary's Cup in front of a big crowd.

SEASON 2015/16 - The First Team won the St Mary's Cup for the 5th time defeating Sun Sports 2-0 and finished mid-table in the SSMFL Premier Division. The Reserves did the 'double' by winning the Suburban Football League North Division and also the Challenge Plate Competition defeating Cray Athletic 2-0. The U16's just missed out on winning the league in the final season as a group of players.

SEASON 2016/17 - First team won the St Mary's Cup, were finalists in the Herts Charity Shield, 5th position SSMFL Premier Division and reached the 4th round of the F.A. Vase. Reserves were finalists in the Suburban Football League Challenge Trophy. 'A' Team were Runners Up in the West Herts Premier Division whilst the 'B' Team were the Champions of the West Herts Division 2 and also Winners of the Sir Stanley Rous Cup. The U18 had a respectable mid-table finish.

SEASON 2017/18 - The First Team reached the last 16 of the F.A. Vase for the first time losing unluckily to Melksham Town in front of a crowd of 1,236. The 'A' Team set a Club record winning the West Herts Premier League and Cup double and only losing one game that being the final of the Herts Junior Cup.

SEASON 2018/19 - The First Team were Runners Up in SSMFL Premier Division, equalling our best ever position. The Reserves were Suburban Football League Central Division Champions and the 'A' Team were Herts Junior Cup Winners and West Herts Senior Cup Finalists.

SEASON 2019/20 - Massive change at the club with long serving manager Kevin Richardson standing down and 14 from last year's successful squad moving on to other clubs. Kevin Christou took over the reins for six months, replaced by Chris Jurasek, who has run our reserve team for several years. Chris' remit was to return the club to its traditional values of operating prudently and developing local talent, which he has done. In a season truncated due to covid we finish second.





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# THE LOWDOWN WITH: JAMES TOWELL

## **Disappointing to lose on Saturday?**

of course it was disappointing to lose and even more disappointing to lose at home, unfortunately we didn't take our chances and we got punished for it but that's football we have to take it on the chin and move on!

## **You've been at Town a long time now, what's been your favourite moment in a Red and White shirt?**

I've had lots of good moments in a town shirt, obviously the Eynesbury game away in the vase was unbelievable but on a incredible support once again, personal note probably Bradford away in the next round of the vase, to score and get two assists and help the team get to the quarter final was brilliant.

## **Despite the defeat, unbelievable to have the highest attendance in the country at Step 5 Saturday?**

incredible support once again, we're so lucky as players to have such a huge, loyal fan base here and we thank you all that come and support us home and away, you make a huge difference!!





# THE LOWDOWN WITH: JAMES TOWELL

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**On a personal note, you've been playing slightly 'out of position' of late, although not unfamiliar. How do you adapt your game to different positions?**

yeah I get bantered off a bit being called James Milner for my versatility but yeah I've been covering at right back for a few games while we've had a few defensive injuries, like you say not to unfamiliar for me I've played there in the past so I just do the best I can and look forward to getting unleashed back into midfield again.

**Finally, plenty of football still be played, with Tring up next tomorrow, looking to bounce back quickly in front of another big crowd?**

yes the game against tring can't come soon enough after a defeat, we look to come back strong and get back on track in the league, and what better way to do so with a local derby.

**That's the lowdown from Jimbo, who would you like to see next in Volume #6 of Town Talk?**

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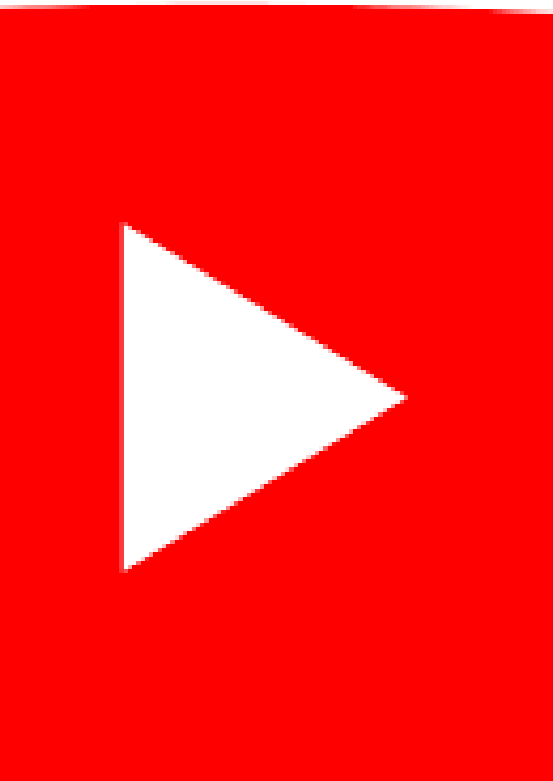




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# UPCOMING FIXTURES

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Here's who your Town are facing in the coming weeks!

**Oxhey Jets (A)**  
**Sat 17th Oct**  
**Boundary Stad.**

**N'P' Town (A)**  
**Tue 20th Oct**  
**Willen Road**

**Levy Green (H)**  
**Sat 24th Oct**  
**Bell Close**





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# REPORT VS BIGGLESWADE UTD

An 88th-minute winner for Biggleswade United was enough to sink Town on Saturday, as the visitors took all three points away from Bell Close, in front of a capacity crowd!

Town came into the game having played just two league games compared to United's 5, however, it was an 100% start Town were looking to continue.

Both sides had headed opportunities at the beginning of the contest, with Mealing heading wide for Town, before Parkinson's header flashed past Brad Kirkwood's goal.

Louie Collier was denied by the palms of Leslie, before Kirkwood was recalled into action, down low to his right.

Town had the bigger chances towards the end of the second period. Marcus Mealing found himself unmarked in the box, but his headed effort was straight at the keeper. Archie McClelland should have buried his chance, however, the visiting goalkeeper made himself big to deny McClelland the luxury of a goal.

The latter had two half chances at the end of the first period, but neither troubled Leslie in the opposing net.

On 56 minutes, the games inspired substitution was made, with United's goalkeeper Ollie Leslie, replaced by 17-year-old, Taylor Haddow. Town made a change on 58, with Ross Adams being replaced by Ben Pattie.

Parkinson found himself in behind on 61 minutes, but was thwarted by the outstretched palms of Brad Kirkwood.

Tom Silford's wild effort flew over the bar from the edge of the box and shortly after, Marcus Mealing was replaced by Connor Calcutt.

Ben Pattie entered the referee's book as the game entered the final quarter and Town found themselves squandering a massive chance! Louie Collier was in behind after a great pass from the just introduced Calcutt. Collier bared down on Haddow's goal, but the youngster in the net got fingertips to Collier's low effort and tipped it on to the woodwork!

With Town bombarding the box, chances continued to fall the reds way. Brian Foulger was next to head wide, before Calcutt's half volley from a few yards, wide to the goal, was beaten away by the strong palms of Haddow.

Collier was soon replaced by Dave Murphy, as the game ticked on past the 80th minute.

Then came another piece of Haddow brilliance. On 87 minutes, the ball was fizzed across the face of the six-yard box and James Towell directed it goalwards, but somehow, Haddow kept the ball out and held the strike from Towell.

With Haddow in inspired form, straight from his kick, United managed to find a winner. Parkinson latched onto a long ball and he coolly slotted last Kirkwood, to net his 3rd winner in as many game.

Town pushed once again, having dominated the second period, but they could've stayed out there for another 90 minutes and wouldn't have found a way past young, Taylor Haddow, who was reaping the praise from the noisy Town supporters behind the goal, to Town supporters on Twitter and Facebook.

A great atmosphere once again at Bell Close despite the defeat. Town will look to bounce back in their usual quick fashion as they welcome Tring Athletic to Bell Close on Tuesday, in a league tie!





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# UNDER 18 FIXTURES AND NEWS

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Our U18 side made their debut bow last season. After a rocky start, they picked up form and results in the turn of the new year, with wins against Luton Town Cedars and AFC Dunstable.

Managed by James Heeps with Coaching Staff James Setchell, Mick Zanetti and Deano.

## NEWS AND UPDATES

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### **WILL & ED HORNE GET 1ST TEAM MINUTES**

A big congratulations to U18 brothers, Will and Ed Horne, who played in Pre-Season for the 1st Team!

### **U18S WIN AT DUNSTABLE**

In their opening league game, our U18 side beat AFC Dunstable U18 2-1 at Creasey Park.

## NEXT FIXTURE

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### **OPPOSITION**

Crawley Green U18s

### **TIME & VENUE**

19:45 at Bell Close

### **COMPETITION**

SCYFL





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# SQUADS AND OFFICIALS

## Your Town Squad:

1. **Brad Kirkwood**
2. **Joe Fitzgerald**
3. **Tom Silford**
4. **Dave Murphy**
5. **Carl Resch**
6. **Aaron Jewell**
7. **Archie McClelland**
8. **Jordon Frederick (C)**
9. **Connor Calcutt**
10. **Louie Collier**
11. **James Towell**
12. **Ross Adams**
13. **Brian Foulger**
14. **Alex Condon**
15. **Ashton Campbell**
16. **Marcus Mealing**
17. **Ben Pattie**
18. **Alfie Osborne**
19. **George Boland**

## Tring Athletic Squad:

1. **David Saunders**
2. **Paolo Baggati**
3. **Gareth Terblanche**
4. **Scott Bonner**
5. **Harrison Cornick**
6. **Connor Blake**
7. **Prince Nimoh**
8. **Joe Chott**
9. **Clement Asanti**
10. **Ollie Butler**
11. **Wesley Ireogu**
12. **Jonathan Pitts**
13. **Callum Shortt**
14. **Marshall Stedman**
15. **Franky Hercules**
16. **Adam Murphy**
17. **Will Salmon**
18. **Joe Naylor**
19. **Jack Sunderland**

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**Neo Neophytou, Sam Winter, Simon Cudner**