

Members of the Spartan
South Midlands League
Division One



TUESDAY
30th JANUARY
KO 7:45pm



Leighton Town
Development

VS

Amphill Town FC



2023 - 24
SEASON



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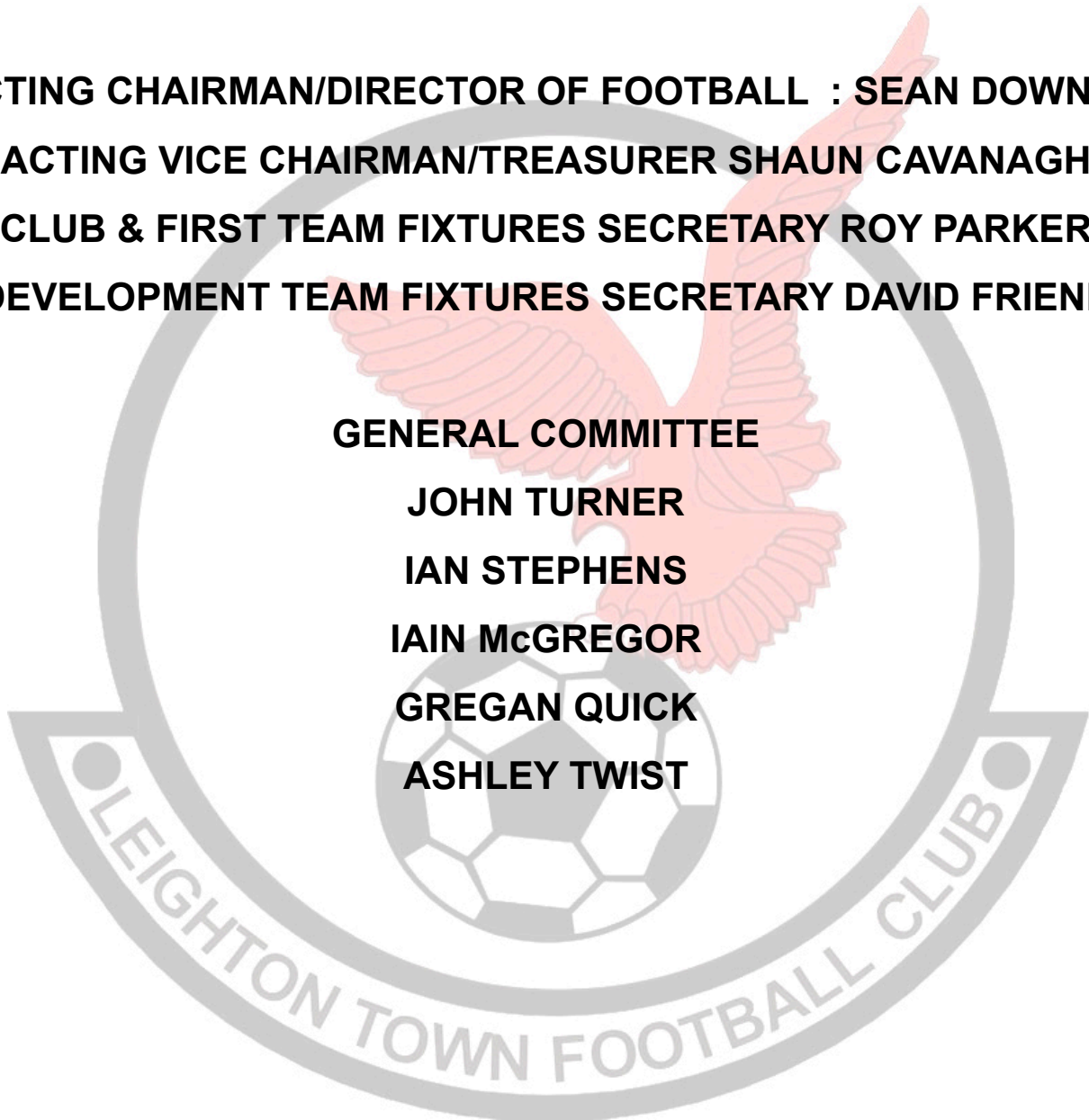
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WELCOME TO BELL CLOSE



Good evening and welcome to Bell Close for this evenings Spartan League Division One match where our visitors are Ampthill.

We extend a warm welcome to their officials, players, management team and supporters, may they enjoy the match and have a safe journey home.

Also welcome tonight are the three officials, referee John Wynne and his assistants Michael Partridge and Ben Twitchins. May they too have a good match.

Following a run of five unbeaten games the wheels appear to have come off losing our last two matches. But that will not deter our young side for putting in another fine performance.

Following tonight's match we are at home again this Saturday when our visitors will be Royston Town U23's. On the 6th February we are away to Long Buckby in the Division One cup and then reverse the fixture at home to them in the league on the 10th February, kick off 7:45pm.

Our U18's are at away this Thursday 1st February to our friends at Leverstock Green.

The first team have no fixture this Saturday but are at home on Tuesday 6th February to our neighbours Barton Rovers which should turn out to be a cracking match. Your support will be truly appreciated.

Lets hope for an entertaining match this evening.

Dave Friend



New Chairperson

Leighton Town are continuing their search for a new Chairperson to lead the club into 2024 and beyond.

The club is financially stable, well run and extremely well supported. We have a hard working, loyal committee who recognise that there is much work still to be done to establish the club at Step 4 and build the necessary infrastructure and finances to target Step 3. It is an excellent opportunity for someone with the requisite experience and leadership skills to join a thriving community football club and lead it to the next level. Expressions of interest should be made in the first instance by emailing Acting Chairman, Sean Downey, on

sdowney0207@outlook.com or calling him on 07585116763

The Executive Committee at Leighton Town FC





Ampt Hill Town FC Club History

AMPTHILL Town recent history - Ampt Hill Town are one of the oldest clubs in Bedfordshire and date back to the 1880s. They joined the South Midlands in 1951 after playing in the Beds. league and were placed in the Premier Division, which they won in 1960 and were runners up a year later.

After finishing bottom of the Premier Division in 1965 the club went into Division 2 of the United Counties League. They were promoted to division one in 1970 despite finishing sixth in 1991 they returned to the South Midlands and joined Division 1.

After a sequence of ups and downs they stayed in the Senior Division from 2001 to 2011 when they were promoted as runners up. When they finished fifth in 2013 they went to the Premier and were runners up in 2014. They also reach the FA Vase last eight in 2014 but lost at Eastbourne. But the club ended up bottom in the next season and were demoted back to Division 11.

The club have consolidated in recent years and two seasons ago they reached the play offs only to be beaten at home by Whitworths. That year they reach the quarter finals of the Challenge Trophy before losing at Stotfold.

Last year they had a good unbeaten run in the league but finished just out of the play offs due to a number of draws. They lost at Holmer Green in the last four of the Division one cup and lost at British Airways in the Vase

Lee Hawkes stood down as manager and Chris Harvey from Totternhoe replaced him. He has brought most of his backroom staff and several ex Totts men and the club are just behind the league leaders.

They lost at Leverstock Green in the Vase this term but beat Premier side Stansted on penalties to reach round three of the Challenge Trophy after going out of the Beds. Senior Trophy semis at Caldecote

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August 2016





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The History of Leighton Town Football Club

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. 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. League

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 on to 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 in the club's history. The 1991/2 season was one of the club's best. 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 Leighton won the Ryman Isthmian Second Division title. They were 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 Town respectively.



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.

The 05-06 Season saw the Club progress again, improving on the year before, as they finished 8th in The Southern League Western 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 Waterlooville finally ended the run. Keith Scott then 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.

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,

2018/2019 Manager, Scott Reynolds resigned in the close season and Danny Nicholls was appointed as Manager but left in October due to work commitments. The Club then appointed Joe Sweeney and Paul Copson, who had previously won the Premier division title with London Colney as the new Management Team. They steadied the ship and it was town's best season for many years and we finished in mid table.

2019/2020 Was a good season for the Club as we again reached the Quarter Final of the FA Vase and after a slow start in the League the team started to find some good form as we slowly climbed up the table. The team were also awarded the Team of the Month twice.

2020/2021 Town for the third time in 4 seasons reached the Quarter Final of the FA Vase but sadly lost out to 2 late penalties. An indifferent start in the League meant we could not quite gain the points needed to gain promotion in a Covid affected season.

2021/2022 We eventually finished 4th in the table after a mid season Management change Lee Bircham was appointed Manager and after the disappointment of losing our previous 4 Beds Senior Cup Final we won the Trophy by beating Southern League Div 1 Champions, Bedford Town on penalties after the game had ended in a 2-2 draw.

2023/2024 season was our best for many years with First Team winning the Spartan South Midlands Premiership Title and completing a double by winning the Premier Division League Cup. Our Development team in their first season also gained promotion from Spartan League Division 2. The Under 18 made it a great season for the club by winning the Corinthian Division of the Cup SCYFL and then winning the Beds Under 18 Cup.

After winning the Premier Division Cup Manager, Lee Bircham announced that he was leaving the club to join Bedford Town along with his assistant Tony Joyce and coach Sam Pateman. Sean Downey and John McLoughlin were quick to start interviewing suitable applicants for the job and eventually Gary Flinn and Gary Chance were appointed, after steering Newport Pagnell to 2 consecutive FA Vase Finals in 2022/2023.

We know things will be more competitive in the Southern League but hope our new Management team will be successful in their new jobs.

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LEAGUE HISTORY

The League is relatively young compared to other's being formed in 1922 as the Bedfordshire County League. With new clubs keen to join from outside the County it was decided in 1929 to change the name to the South Midlands League.

The League continued to consolidate and strengthen over the ensuing 70 years or so providing quality football for many teams over a large area of the South Midlands.

In 1997 it became apparent that the London Spartan League, which was very much to the South of the League's geographical footprint, was struggling administratiely and, with the full support of the Football Association, the decision was taken to merge the two competitions with the new League being known as the Spartan South Midlands League.

The League now covers a wide area from North London in the South to Milton Keynes in the North and from Ware in the East to Aylesbury in the West.

The League is part of the FA's National League System (NLS) and comprises of three Divisions; Premier at Step 5 of the NLS, Division One at Step 6 and Division Two at Step 7.

The League has a proud record of promoting clubs to Step 4 of the NLS and has also provided 4 FA Vase Finalists including two winners in Arlesey Town and Hoddesdon Town FC.

SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE DIVISION 1





LEAGUE TABLE

		Overall						Home					Away						
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Northampton ON Chenecks	24	19	4	1	73	16	10	3	1	38	8	9	1	0	35	8	+57	61
2	Wellingborough Whitworth	21	15	4	2	56	28	9	2	0	35	13	6	2	2	21	15	+28	49
3	Moulton	23	14	5	4	58	26	10	1	3	36	12	4	4	1	22	14	+32	47
4	Langford	26	13	3	10	64	41	8	1	3	28	12	5	2	7	36	29	+23	42
5	Amphill Town	22	12	6	4	63	32	7	4	3	42	20	5	2	1	21	12	+31	41
6	Royston Town U23	21	13	2	6	57	33	7	0	3	29	13	6	2	3	28	20	+24	41
7	Winslow United	22	12	5	5	51	35	5	3	2	24	18	7	2	3	27	17	+16	41
8	Northampton Sileby Rangers	20	12	4	4	55	23	7	1	2	32	12	5	3	2	23	11	+32	40
9	Leighton Town Development	20	11	3	6	42	35	4	2	0	20	10	7	1	6	22	25	+7	36
10	Cranfield United	23	9	5	9	44	33	6	3	4	22	14	3	2	5	22	19	+11	32
11	Rothwell Corinthians	22	7	7	8	54	47	6	3	2	33	20	1	4	6	21	27	+7	28
12	Raunds Town	24	6	8	10	34	49	4	3	6	24	31	2	5	4	10	18	-15	26
13	Buckingham	24	6	8	10	42	59	4	4	4	30	35	2	4	6	12	24	-17	26
14	Huntingdon Town	23	7	4	12	35	53	6	2	3	18	18	1	2	9	17	35	-18	25
15	Long Buckby	22	7	2	13	44	50	5	0	4	21	18	2	2	9	23	32	-6	23
16	Eaton Socon	26	5	6	15	31	58	2	4	7	14	24	3	2	8	17	34	-27	21
17	Letchworth Garden City Eagles	23	4	5	14	31	58	2	3	7	11	25	2	2	7	20	33	-27	17
18	Rushden & Higham United	21	4	5	12	29	58	2	4	5	17	29	2	1	7	12	29	-29	17
19	Irchester United	24	3	6	15	26	83	0	4	7	12	38	3	2	8	14	45	-57	15
20	Burton Park Wanderers	25	2	2	21	31	103	0	0	11	13	51	2	2	10	18	52	-72	8



RESULTS

Type	Date / Time	Home Team		Away Team	Competition
<u>ONE</u>	<u>27/01/24 15:00</u>	<u>Raunds Town</u>	3 - 2	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	Division One
<u>ONE</u>	<u>23/01/24 19:45</u>	<u>Winslow United</u>	3 - 0	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	Division One
<u>ONE</u>	<u>13/01/24 15:00</u>	<u>Royston Town U23</u>	0 - 3 (HT 0-0)	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	Division One
<u>D1C</u>	<u>09/01/24 19:45</u>	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	3 - 2	<u>Buckingham FC</u>	Division One Cup_2023 - 2024
<u>ONE</u>	<u>06/01/24 15:00</u>	<u>Irchester United</u>	2 - 2	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	Division One
<u>ONE</u>	<u>23/12/23 15:00</u>	<u>Cranfield United</u>	0 - 2	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	Division One
<u>CC</u>	<u>16/12/23 15:00</u>	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	0 - 3 (HT 0-2)	<u>Elstow Abbey First</u>	Senior Trophy
<u>ONE</u>	<u>25/11/23 15:00</u>	<u>Amphill Town</u>	3 - 0	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	Division One
<u>ONE</u>	<u>18/11/23 15:00</u>	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	3 - 2	<u>Rothwell Corinthians</u>	Division One
<u>ONE</u>	<u>11/11/23 15:00</u>	<u>Northampton ON Chenecks</u>	5 - 0	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	Division One
<u>CC</u>	<u>31/10/23 19:45</u>	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	5 - 0	<u>Marston Shelton Rovers First</u>	Senior Trophy
<u>ONE</u>	<u>21/10/23 15:00</u>	<u>Buckingham FC</u>	0 - 3	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	Division One
<u>ONE</u>	<u>14/10/23 15:00</u>	<u>Northampton Sileby Rangers</u>	1 - 2	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	Division One
<u>ONE</u>	<u>10/10/23 19:45</u>	<u>Rushden & Higham United</u>	0 - 3	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	Division One
<u>ONE</u>	<u>07/10/23 15:00</u>	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	4 - 2	<u>Eaton Socon</u>	Division One
<u>ONE</u>	<u>30/09/23 15:00</u>	<u>Huntingdon Town</u>	3 - 1	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	Division One
<u>ONE</u>	<u>23/09/23 15:00</u>	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	6 - 0	<u>Burton Park Wanderers</u>	Division One
<u>ONE</u>	<u>16/09/23 15:00</u>	<u>Langford</u>	0 - 1	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	Division One



Type	Date / Time	Home Team		Away Team	Venue	Competition
<u>ONE</u>	30/01/24 19:45	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Amphill Town</u>	<u>Bell Close</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	03/02/24 15:00	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Royston Town U23</u>	<u>Bell Close</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>D1C</u>	06/02/24 19:45	<u>Long Buckby AFC</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>Station Road</u>	<u>Division One Cup 2023 - 2024</u>
<u>ONE</u>	10/02/24 15:00	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Long Buckby AFC</u>	<u>Bell Close</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	13/02/24 19:45	<u>Rothwell Corinthians</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>Sargeants Lawn</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	17/02/24 15:00	<u>Long Buckby AFC</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>Station Road</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	24/02/24 15:00	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Northampton ON Chenecks</u>	<u>Bell Close</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	27/02/24 19:45	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Northampton Sibley Rangers</u>	<u>Bell Close</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	02/03/24 15:00	<u>Eaton Socon</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>Eaton Socon Sports Association Club</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	05/03/24 19:45	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Raunds Town</u>	<u>Bell Close</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	12/03/24 19:45	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Cranfield United</u>	<u>Bell Close</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	19/03/24 19:45	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Wellingborough Whitworth</u>	<u>Bell Close</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	23/03/24 15:00	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Rushden & Higham United</u>	<u>Bell Close</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	26/03/24 19:45	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Irchester United</u>	<u>Bell Close</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	02/04/24 19:45	<u>Burton Park Wanderers</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>Latimer Park</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	09/04/24 19:45	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Winslow United</u>	<u>Bell Close</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	13/04/24 15:00	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Moulton</u>	<u>Bell Close</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	16/04/24 19:45	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Huntingdon Town</u>	<u>Bell Close</u>	<u>Division One</u>
<u>ONE</u>	20/04/24 15:00	<u>Letchworth Garden City Eagles</u>	<u>VS</u>	<u>Leighton Town Development</u>	<u>Pixmore Playing Fields</u>	<u>Division One</u>



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We are looking for a Physio to join the Development Team this season.
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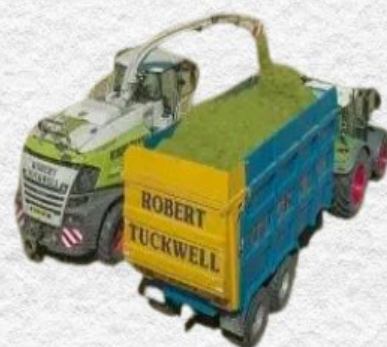
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LEAGUE TABLE

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	<u>Tring Athletic U18 Midweek</u>	8	8	0	0	25	24
2	<u>Winslow United U18 Southern</u>	9	5	2	2	6	17
3	<u>Leighton Town U18</u>	7	5	0	2	11	15
4	<u>Aylesbury Vale Dynamos FC U18 FL</u>	8	5	0	3	8	15
5	<u>Kings Langley FC U18</u>	9	5	0	4	-1	15
6	<u>Leverstock Green U18</u>	11	4	0	7	-1	12
7	<u>Hemel Hempstead Town U18</u>	7	3	2	2	9	11
8	<u>Berkhamsted FC U18</u>	6	3	0	3	3	9
9	<u>Dunstable Town U18</u>	10	2	0	8	-23	6
10	<u>Buckingham Football Club U18 S</u>	9	0	0	9	-37	0

RESULTS

COR	26/01/24	<u>Hemel Hempstead Town U18</u>	<u>2 - 2</u>	<u>Winslow United U18 Southern</u>
COR	25/01/24	<u>Buckingham Football Club U18 S</u>	<u>0 - 5</u>	<u>Tring Athletic U18 Midweek</u>
Double Header - 2 games of 60 mins at Buckingham unless otherwise agreed				
COR	25/01/24	<u>Dunstable Town U18</u>	<u>2 - 3</u>	<u>Aylesbury Vale Dynamos FC U18 FL</u>
COR	25/01/24	<u>Leighton Town U18</u>	<u>0 - 4</u> (HT 0-2)	<u>Berkhamsted FC U18</u>
COR	25/01/24	<u>Leverstock Green U18</u>	<u>3 - 1</u>	<u>Kings Langley FC U18</u>
COR	25/01/24	<u>Tring Athletic U18 Midweek</u>	<u>7 - 1</u>	<u>Buckingham Football Club U18 S</u>
Double Header - 2 games of 60 mins at Buckingham unless otherwise agreed				
COR	19/01/24	<u>Hemel Hempstead Town U18</u>	<u>0 - 1</u>	<u>Tring Athletic U18 Midweek</u>
COR	11/01/24	<u>Tring Athletic U18 Midweek</u>	<u>2 - 1</u>	<u>Leverstock Green U18</u>
COR	11/01/24	<u>Winslow United U18 Southern</u>	<u>2 - 4</u> (HT 1-2)	<u>Leighton Town U18</u>
COR	08/01/24	<u>Berkhamsted FC U18</u>	<u>3 - 0</u> (HT 1-0)	<u>Buckingham Football Club U18 S</u>

FIXTURES

COR	01/02/24 19:45	<u>Leverstock Green U18</u>	VS	<u>Leighton Town U18</u>	<u>LEVERSTOCK GREEN FOOTBALL CLUB</u>	<u>Corinthian</u>
COR	08/02/24 19:30	<u>Leighton Town U18</u>	VS	<u>Hemel Hempstead Town U18</u>	<u>LEIGHTON BUZZARD SPORTS ASSOCIATION LTD</u>	<u>Corinthian</u>
COR	15/02/24 19:30	<u>Leighton Town U18</u>	VS	<u>Tring Athletic U18 Midweek</u>	<u>LEIGHTON BUZZARD SPORTS ASSOCIATION LTD</u>	<u>Corinthian</u>
COR	23/02/24 00:00	<u>Buckingham Football Club U18 S</u>	VS	<u>Leighton Town U18</u>	<u>BUCKINGHAM ATHLETIC SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB</u>	<u>Corinthian</u>



Leighton Town Partner/Sponsorship Packages 2023-24 Season

NEW FOR 2023-24!



PLATINUM PARTNER'S PACKAGE

You will be aware, I feel sure, that the club has enjoyed its most successful season on the field for years. The First Team secured the South Midlands Premier League title and promotion to Step 4, as well as winning the Premier Division Cup to complete an impressive double. Our young Development Team finished joint second in their first year at step 7 and gained promotion to Step 6, a remarkable achievement. To cap a bumper year of trophies, the U18s won the Southern Counties Floodlit League and the Bedfordshire Youth Floodlit Cup. The club's football strategy and our investment in the First Team and our youth has reaped huge rewards that we wish to build upon.

These achievements would not have been possible without the generous support of our partners/sponsors, many who have benefitted from the 'win, win' relationship we have established.

Platinum Partnership Opportunity

Promotion to Step 4 will bring some significant costs and we have put together a plan to meet these.

- ✓ The club must make some compulsory ground and facility improvements to achieve the next level of ground grading required to compete at Step 4. We estimate that this will cost circa £100,000.
- ✓ To finance this, we need to raise £30,000, as this will allow us to bid for a further £70,000 from the Football Foundation. All the improvements required attract 70% funding and we are allowed to bid for grants up to £100,000. To qualify you have to prove that you have the necessary funds available; in our case £30,000.
- ✓ The club's plan is to create at least 10 Platinum Partners who will donate £3,000 this year for a 3-year deal. This deal will include the following:
- ✓ All the benefits of the current Gold Partner/Sponsor's Package for 3 years (worth £1800 plus VAT)
- ✓ An extra season ticket ie 3 in total each season. (worth £510 over 3 years)
- ✓ A place on the new Platinum Partners Board in the club with a plaque detailing your company logo, details and contacts. QR code?
- ✓ Permanent exposure on our website and social media platforms

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By Jon Couch

THIS week, we had the pleasure of talking to Warrington Town goalkeeper Dan Atherton, who has discovered a rather handy penchant for scoring goals.

Golden boy Dan, the former New Saints and Hyde United stopper, netted the first goal of his career back in October to earn Mark Beesley's side a last-gasp 1-1 home draw with Farsley Celtic in National League North.

And he was at it again a fortnight ago, popping up to dramatically head home another last-minute leveller for the Wire in a 2-2 draw with Alfreton Town.

Somewhat humbly, Dan put his goalscoring prowess down to being in the right place at the right time, but whether you wear the number one jersey or 100, having that natural predatory instinct is an art in itself.

"I have no idea where it's come from, it's certainly not planned," Atherton told us. "I'm just glad to be able to contribute to the team. Even when I go up for a corner, I'm not really intending to score; I'm just looking to take a runner or two away and cause a bit of chaos. Fortunately, I've managed to get my head on a couple and they've gone in!"

A Liverpool trainee from the age of 11, Atherton learned his trade from the very top and put his ball skills down to working at the Melwood Training Ground with Pepijn Lijnders, the Reds' former Under 16 coach who is now Jurgen Klopp's first-team assistant.

There, he trained alongside Brazilian first choice keeper Allison, who famously scored a 95th-minute winner for Liverpool at West Bromwich Albion in May 2021 to earn Klopp's men a Champions League place.

While most goalkeepers would just be pleased to get on the scoresheet once in their careers, it's actually not as unusual as you might think.

Just having that extra strapping body in the box for a last-gasp corner or free-kick is enough to throw opposition defences, even more so these days with goalkeepers coached to be as comfortable with the ball at their feet than their outfield counterparts.

Who can remember enigmatic Paraguayan José Luis Chilavert? He was a free-kick expert for club and country and scored 67 times during his career, including eight for Paraguay. He is also the only goalkeeper ever to score a hat-trick.

The record for most goals scored by goalkeeper is held by the Brazilian Rogério Ceni, with 129. He scored his 100th goal in a 3-0 win for São Paulo on in 2011.

Two goalkeeper records, however, have been set in English football. On November 2 2013, Stoke City goalkeeper Asmir Begović recorded the fastest goalkeeper goal in football history (13 seconds), while Newport County's Tom King scored from the longest distance – 96.01 metres, in a match against Cheltenham Town in January 2021.

So, the next time your team are a goal down and in need of a saviour, don't be surprised to see your big number one surging up the field to provide some divine intervention. Like Dan Atherton, he could be your unlikely hero.

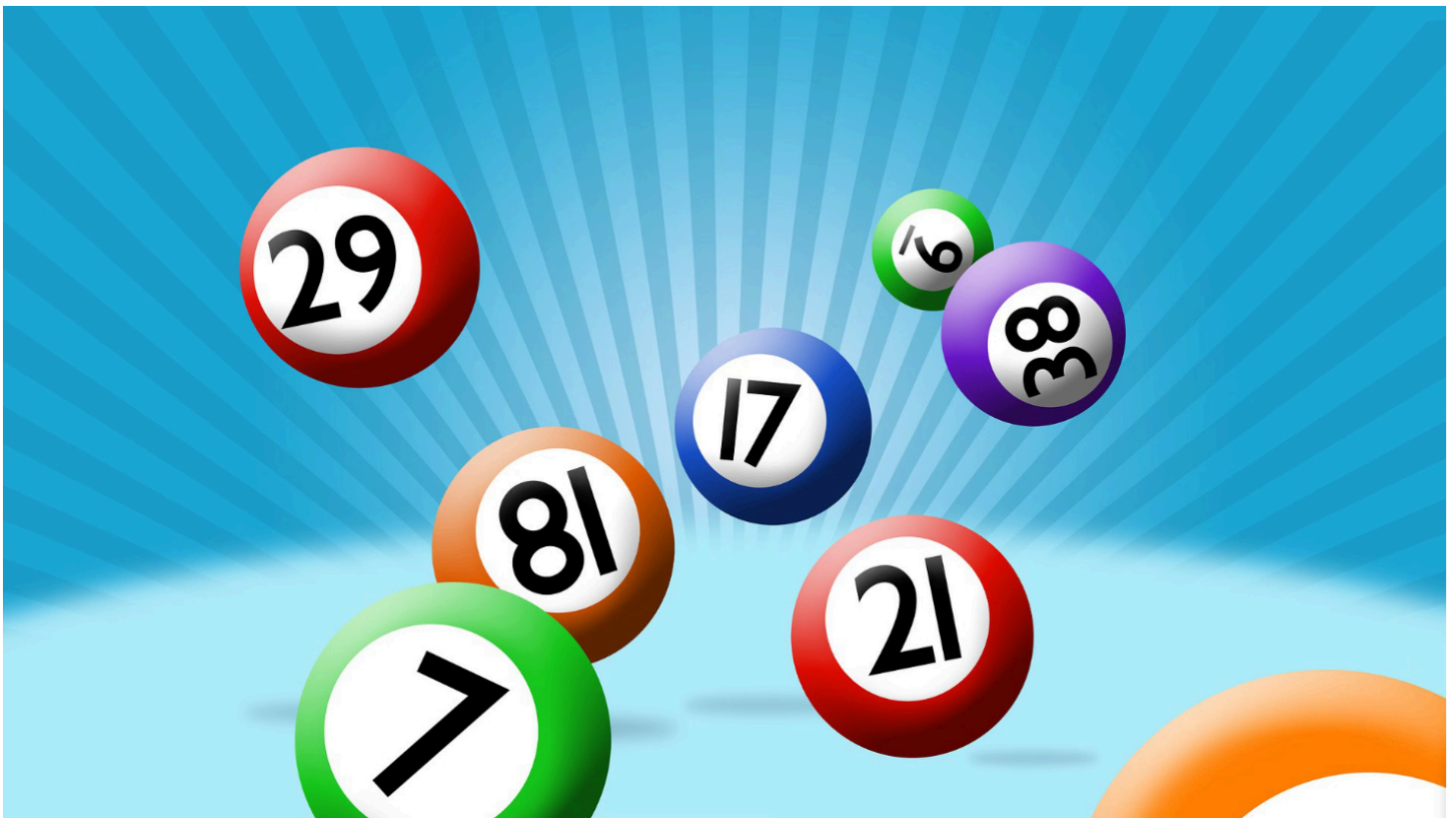


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LEAGUE TABLE

	Club	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	-Pts	Pts
	North Leigh	21	14	1	6	45	27	18	-	43
	Bedford Town	19	11	6	2	39	16	23	-	39
	Biggleswade Town	20	11	5	4	43	27	16	-	38
	Cirencester Town	22	10	5	7	41	25	16	-	35
	Waltham Abbey	23	10	5	8	44	39	5	-	35
	Ware	22	11	2	9	48	47	1	-	35
	Kings Langley	23	8	8	7	46	44	2	-	32
	Leighton Town	22	9	5	8	38	38	0	-	32
	AFC Dunstable	21	10	2	9	43	44	-1	-	32
	Biggleswade FC	21	9	3	9	38	36	2	-	30
	Stotfold	22	8	5	9	40	39	1	-	29
	Hertford Town	21	8	3	10	32	37	-5	-	27
	Welwyn Garden City	19	8	2	9	42	42	0	-	26
	Aylesbury United	23	7	4	12	39	53	-14	-	25
	Kidlington	20	6	6	8	26	33	-7	-	24
	Barton Rovers	21	5	8	8	33	38	-5	-	23
	Hadley	20	7	1	12	28	40	-12	-	22
	Thame United	21	6	3	12	26	43	-17	-	21
	Kempston Rovers	19	3	4	12	18	41	-23	-	13





FIXTURES

Date	KO	Home Team	Score	Away Team	Competition
Tue 06 Feb 24	19:45	 Leighton Town		 Barton Rovers	Southern League Div One Central
Sat 10 Feb 24	15:00	 Welwyn Garden City		 Leighton Town	Southern League Div One Central
Sat 17 Feb 24	15:00	 Leighton Town		 Thame United	Southern League Div One Central
Sat 24 Feb 24	15:00	 Kempston Rovers		 Leighton Town	Southern League Div One Central
Sat 02 Mar 24	15:00	 Leighton Town		 Kings Langley	Southern League Div One Central
Sat 09 Mar 24	15:00	 Leighton Town		 Hertford Town	Southern League Div One Central
Sat 16 Mar 24	15:00	 Leighton Town		 Biggleswade FC	Southern League Div One Central
Sat 23 Mar 24	15:00	 Cirencester Town		 Leighton Town	Southern League Div One Central
Sat 30 Mar 24	15:00	 Leighton Town		 Hadley	Southern League Div One Central
Mon 01 Apr 24	15:00	 Barton Rovers		 Leighton Town	Southern League Div One Central
Sat 06 Apr 24	15:00	 Leighton Town		 Biggleswade Town	Southern League Div One Central
Sat 13 Apr 24	15:00	 Kidlington		 Leighton Town	Southern League Div One Central
Sat 20 Apr 24	15:00	 Leighton Town		 Bedford Town	Southern League Div One Central
Sat 27 Apr 24	15:00	 Stotfold		 Leighton Town	Southern League Div One Central





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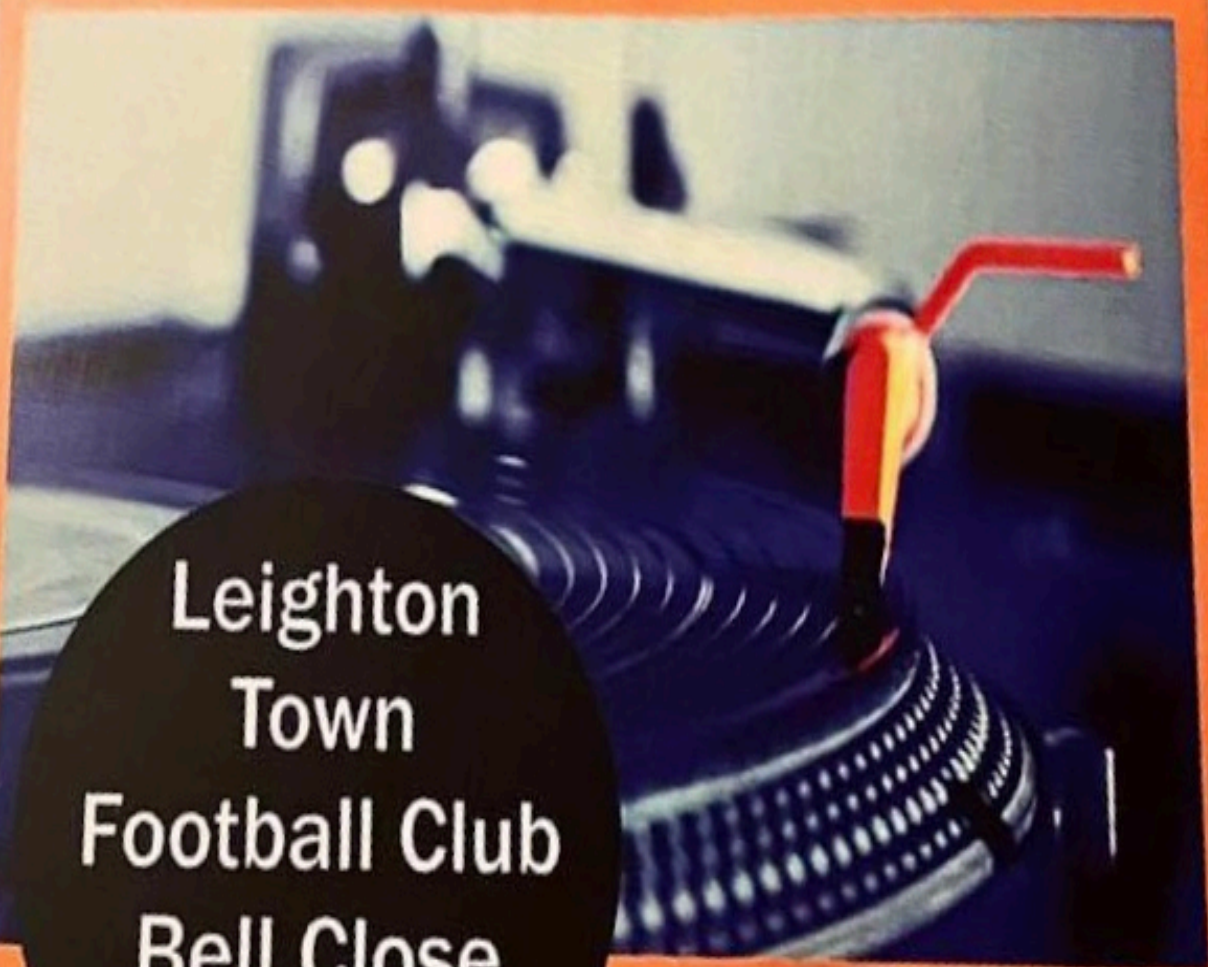
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