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AN INJURY-TIME equaliser on his debut by the £200,000 signing Mick Harford earned relegation-threatened Luton a vital point against their fellow strugglers, Leicester at Filbert Street, writes **Henry Morton**.

With merely seconds left, Harford firmly headed home a right-wing cross by Breacker from six yards to nullify a splendid second-half recovery by Leicester, who had deservedly trailed at the interval.

Early on Leicester seemed overcome with remorse at the untimely loss of their England striker, Lineker, with chicken-pox, and only goalkeeper Andrews saved them.

Luton, however, gained just reward after 36 minutes when Harford headed down Foster's free kick for Stein to score with

a low, left-foot drive from 10 yards.

Leicester had an opportunity to level three minutes later but after Lynex was harshly ruled to have been fouled by Harford, the winger placed his penalty kick wide.

Lynex, though, atoned in the 52nd minute, sidefooting in a gentle 15-yard equaliser following a perfect defence-piercing pass from Bobby Smith and a quite superb solo effort by Alan Smith five minutes later appeared to have sealed Luton's fate. The recalled striker ran on 30 yards, eluding lunging tackles by Foster and Donaghy, to score, but Harford had the final word.

Leicester: Andrews; Feeley, Wilson, B. Smith, Williams, O'Neill, Lynex, Eastoe, A. Smith, Ramsey, Banks.

Luton: Sealey; Breacker, Turner, Parker (Thomas, 63), Foster, Donaghy, Hill, Stein, Harford, Preece, Moss.

Referee: R. Nixon (Stoke-on-Trent).