

Luton are left all shook up

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LUTON'S dreams of pushing towards the play-off zone were shattered by a Bournemouth side coming to terms with the loss of their captain Ian Cox.

Bournemouth took the lead in the 34th minute. James Hayter produced a perfect cross to allow Scott Mean to ghost in at the near post between two defenders and head into the top corner.

It all went wrong for Luton within a minute of the re-start. Mean broke down the left and fired in a hard, low cross towards the near post and Luton centre half Julian Watts, who otherwise had an excellent game, neatly stabbed the ball into his own net.

Luton skipper Marvin Johnson carried it upfield from defence and played a diagonal pass across the face of goal. The ball looked like going out of play and the Bournemouth defence was wrong-footed as Emerson Boyce came in on the blind side to side-foot in the first league goal of his career.

But that was as good as it got for Luton.