## **Duncan under fire**

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CHESTERFIELD'S second division survival hopes look all but over after they were torn apart during a wretched first-half display that left the home fans calling for the head of manager John Duncan.

It is only three years ago that Duncan took Chesterfield to a memorable FA Cup semi-final against Middlesbrough at Old Trafford but his seven-year reign at Saltergate must now be under serious threat.

Luton took only 48 seconds to intensify the pressure on Duncan when Gary Doherty headed the visitors in front and that was the cue for a number of fans to unfurl banners bearing the message 'Duncan out'.

The rest of the first half was

the stuff of nightmares as Luton did much as they pleased and although Chesterfield clawed some pride back after the break, it was too little too late.

Duncan said: "I wished we had started the game in the manner that we got into the second half.

"Clearly we had problems at the back but we turned it around with the same personnel we had in the first half.

"There were a few strong words said in the dressing room but it was as much tactical deficiencies as anything else, we did not have the knowledge of Luton before the game that we had at half time."

For Luton, this was sweet revenge after they were on the wrong end of a battering at Saltergate last season. This time, Lennie Lawrence was able to reflect on a fruitful outing to Derbyshire.