

Morgan strike tops Hatters

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Luton 1 Colchester 2

COLCHESTER fought back from a goal down to give their relegation fight a massive boost by taking three points away from Luton in a 2-1 victory at Kenilworth Road.

Luton had taken the lead through Andrew Fotiadis in the first half but conceded a needless equaliser on the stroke of half time.

Steve Robinson was booked for arguing about a free kick and referee Mark Cowburn moved the set-piece 10 yards nearer to the Hatters goal, allowing Karl Duguid to fire home.

Luton had dominated the opening 45

minutes with Simon Brown saving well from Fotiadis and Robinson, but after the break Colchester maintained their momentum with a winning goal from young striker Dean Morgan, whose clinical header from Kem Izzet's cross gave goalkeeper Mark Ovendale no chance.

Luton manager Joe Kinnear refused to comment after Colchester's win, their third away victory of the season, which spoiled his side's hopes of moving into the Second Division play-off zone.

Colchester boss Steve Whitton was delighted with the result but admitted: "We haven't played our best. But we defended brilliantly at times and if we

had used the ball better on the break we could have scored more goals.

"I am delighted for Duguid. We knew his fitness was okay and he was superb — everyone was. This result was about team work and work rates. That's seven points out of nine we have taken and it just shows what you can get if you work hard and have team spirit.

"Luton probably thought they were a bit unlucky and it's odd that, like us, their away record is better than at home. I think it's about expectations when you are playing on your own pitch, although I am sure Luton will believe they might have been two or three up at half time instead of level at 1-1."