Owls go to sleep

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STEVE Howard fired a 90th minute winner as Luton came from 2-0 down to snatch all three points with a 3-2 victory over Sheffield Wednesday.

Wednesday opened the scoring when Jon Shaw took advantage of a defensive mix-up to head home his first senior goal.

Then luckless Luton keeper Dean Brill was left stranded again when a deflection allowed Wednesday winger Terry Cooke to fire into an empty net.

Luton came out fired up after the restart and pulled a goal back when Howard converted Stephen O'Leary's cross for his 15th goal of the season.

Provider O'Leary then turned scorer when visiting defender Dean Smith headed Kevin Foley's cross into his path.

And a minute into added time Howard secured the points when he scrambled the ball home after good work by Enoch Showunmi.

Sheffield Wednesday manager Chris Turner kept his players locked in the dressing room after the game.

Furious Turner said: "We lost because we aren't strong enough.

"We can't handle a battle in this division.

"We've some talented players but to get out of this division you need strength, power and character.

"This isn't the first time this season we've lost after being in a commanding position."

Luton manager Mike Newell believes his side have the potential to make a better promotion challenge next season.

He said: "Even at half time when we were two goals down! felt we had played some decent stuff, and we told the



players that if they continued to play like that we'd get chances and we did.

"We made Wednesday look good in the first half but in the second we showed real desire to do well and to keep going.

"We've nothing to play for and could easily have thrown in the towel but these players won't do that."