

Bees glide past Luton

Luton 0
Brentford 2

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SECOND half goals from Chris Hargreaves and substitute Jay Tabb clinched Brentford's place in the next round with a 2-0 win at League One leaders Luton.

Brentford created the first real chance during the opening exchanges when Deon Burton collected the ball on the edge of the penalty area and blasted his effort over the crossbar.

Luton's Steve Howard drilled an effort wide a couple of minutes later and he also failed to hit the target with a header following good work by Ahmet Brkovic.

The hosts continued to apply the pressure and goalkeeper Stuart Nelson

was called upon to keep out Rowan Vine's close-range effort.

Backed by the home fans, high-flying Luton were expected to have a real go at the start of the second half.

However, their only effort of note during the first 15 minutes was Steve Robinson's speculative 30-yard strike.

Brentford had not really threatened the home goal much during the first 70 minutes — but they then launched a decisive counter-attack.

Isaiah Rankin picked out Hargreaves on the edge of the area and the midfielder fired the ball into the top corner.

Tabb doubled their advantage when he smashed the ball home from 18 yards late on.