

HATS OFF AS FOREST CRASH

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Luton 2 Nottingham Forest 1

SECOND-HALF goals from Chris Perry and David Bell brought an end to Nottingham Forest's unbeaten away record as Luton claimed a 2-1 win.

Defender Perry opened his Luton account by diving to head home Darren Currie's left-wing cross from close range in the 52nd minute.

Bell made it 2-0 two minutes from time when he drilled home his fourth of the season from 18 yards after Paul Furlong's lay-off.

Julian Bennett pulled one back for the visitors in the final minute, volleying in from 15 yards after substitute Wes Morgan's header had been cleared off the line by Matty Spring.

Luton dominated the first half as Furlong headed at Paul Smith in the 12th minute and Dave Edwards blazed over when well placed three minutes later.

Smith had to save from Chris Coyne in the 27th minute and Bell three minutes later as the Hatters bossed proceedings.

Luton stayed in the ascendancy after the break and could have added to Perry and Bell's goals with Furlong and Currie also going close.

Luton head coach John Carver said: "I thought it was a very good performance and it makes it all the more baffling trying to work out why we can play like that at home but not away.

"We now need to put two or three wins together to get into the top half of the league because winning breeds confidence."

Forest manager Colin Calderwood said: "We were very poor.

"We deserved to get beat.

"It was a weak performance from us. It was a real smack in the face and kick up the backside."

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Chris Perry

