

COMMENT

Come on you Wanderers

NO ONE at Wycombe Wanderers either on Thursday or Saturday can fail to have been impressed by the new ground.

The stadium is superb and is a tribute to development director Brian Lee and chairman Ivor Beeks, as well as the rest of the board. The commitment and enthusiasm within the club is tremendous and we hope infectious.

Gates for the games against Nottingham Forest and Southampton were well over 4,000 and we hope that the many people who were perhaps visiting Wanderers for the first time will keep going back for more.

The signs are good for a quick rise into league football. They have the ground, a nucleus of good players and a quality manager in Martin O'Neill.

Now is the time for the whole community to get behind the Wanderers and give them all the support we can. Certainly a lot of support was lacking from the council during the move. And those residents angry with the ensuing traffic problems would do well to blame the council and not Wycombe Wanderers.

We are sure that the Wanderers will do all it can to appease these teething troubles. Many people will have appreciated that such large numbers will not necessarily turn up every week, but we must look to the council for a long-term solution.

Certainly, some councillors braved the criticism and went to the ground on Thursday night, but many stayed away. It was a great shame that the chairman of the council and mayor were not there to celebrate a special day in Wycombe's history. Let's hope they will make amends by buying a season ticket.