

Stupid dirty ditties put other fans to shame

IN his column, your correspondent Charles Mann commented on how his recent visit to Adams Park to watch Wycombe Wanderers was marred only by a 'dirty ditty' from the home terrace.

While Mr Mann's remarks were not made too seriously, as someone who has followed the club home and away for several years, I felt I should write to put this matter in perspective.

There was a time, not so long ago in fact, that songs and chants heard from Wycombe supporters — while hardly 'saintly' in their language — did at least show some degree of humour, wit, and appreciation of the game.

Recently, however, things have become very different. Just taking the Altrincham match Mr Mann attended as an example, not only was the 'you're s--t' refrain repeated at the Altrincham goalkeeper over and over again throughout the second half (a practice which went out of fashion at most grounds two seasons ago), but there were also long, long periods of the game in which the so-called vocal 'support' for Wycombe comprised simply of singing "We thought you were s--t, we were right", presumably aimed at the opposition.

Quite how this is supposed to encourage the Wycombe team is beyond me. The most important point of this letter, though, is to state clearly that this level of brain-work is most definitely not a fair and general reflection of the mentality of the majority of Wycombe supporters.

These 'songs' are in fact led by one particularly subjectionable imbecile, despised by most other fans, along with no more than half-a-dozen equally unimaginative sheep-like followers and a few children too young to know any better.

By means of this letter I would like to ask the ringleader — and he will know who he is — on behalf of the other Blues' fans behind the goal, could he please take his talents somewhere more suitable. Ever thought of moving to Slough or Macclesfield, for instance?

One final thought — unfortunately anyone unwittingly entering the same section of Adams Park as Mr Mastermind and preparing to move to a different area of the ground can no longer do so, thanks to the clubs idiotic insistence on caging everyone into separate sections — how much longer do we have to put up with this?

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Stadium development should be stopped

WHAT further development can we expect to be proposed on the new Wycombe Wanderers football stadium site?

Recent issues of the Bucks Free Press have suggested that we can expect multi-storey car parks, a golf range, banqueting and conference rooms and leisure facilities, other than football.

Wycombe Council were right in opposing the original planning permission of such a development on this Green Belt land. The obvious problems involved in providing sporting and entertainment facilities at the end of a cul-de-sac, through an industrial estate with limited parking, are becoming apparent to the residents of Sands.

One of the Council's reasons for refusal was the traffic problems it would bring — this has now been proved. No one should now expect the council to provide car parking space which would add the the community charge.

It is no answer to increase car parking at Sands, it would simply add to the traffic problem. Surely it is up to the football club to find an adequate parking area and run its own shuttle bus service to the ground. This business enterprise must not be subsidised by the poll tax via the council.

No further development of the site should be permitted and must be restricted to that which was originally allowed by the Department of the Environment.

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