

Stadium police 'went over top'

I, LIKE a good many others, feel that the actions of the Thames Valley Police at Adams Park on Saturday last – the scene of the Wycombe Wanderers versus Swansea match – went certainly 'over the top' and were deserving of the 'red card', and really inexcusable and unacceptable, in that they presented the home club with possibly their lowest home attendance of the season by enforcing their ticket-only match.

The behind-the-scenes opinion reported by you, regarding the police being over-cautious in this matter, in making the match an all-ticket affair, was well and truly shown to be correct. The extra officers on duty, at one time, outnumbered the Swansea supporters.

We know that the police are under-resourced and overworked, but what happened in this case is what I have detailed earlier. The answer to this should be a refund to Wycombe Wanderers on the extra cost, and loss of revenue sustained.

Why did the police become over-ambitious, and make life difficult for supporters to attend a match which they could only envisage as a crowd crisis?

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