

Put the real priorities to the front

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AT the start of the season I have looked to the club for a sense of urgency and anticipation that this year is going to be the season when we set this division alight.

But so far we have had several no doubt realistic assessments that Division Two will be harder this year and an attitude of resignation that we shall be lucky to stay there. And as for promotion – we just cannot afford to strengthen the squad.

What sort of message does this send to supporters and prospective players? Perhaps this attitude is reflected in Graham Peart's article in the Quarterman when he talks about fixing budgets for next year and asks 'Can we have one senior player less on the staff?' when the question should surely be 'How can we make resources available to strengthen the squad?'

For goodness sake what are the priorities here?

There seems to be cash available for a glossy new magazine, Bodger and a crackpot membership scheme – but not for the manager to get new players.

The success of a club is measured by the success of the team. That brings in money via the turnstiles and associated activities and attracts new players.

This should be the prime objective and not an afterthought, because if it isn't and this attitude of resignation does not change we can look forward to yet another scramble against relegation.

● We are running coach travel to all away matches this season. You can book your place on the coaches by telephoning Rena on (01296) 429307.

Rena will also be taking bookings as usual in the foyer of the Vere Suite before and after home matches.

● On September 3 at Adams Park, the official supporters are holding a fans forum with Neil Smillie, Terry Evans, Gary Goodchild, and Mark Austin.

Blues go into Lions Den

Millwall v Wycombe
A guide to tomorrow's
match at the New Den

NICKY Mohan sits out the last match of his three game suspension as the Blues bid to get their first ever result at the New Den. Their previous two visits have both resulted in defeats.

Paul Read and John Cornforth are expected to keep their places in what is likely to be an unchanged side from the one which did so well at Swindon.

Millwall, managed by Keith Stevens, won on the opening day at Wigan and then lost 2-0 at Birmingham in the Worthington Cup.

They have re-signed winger Jimmy Carter after his moves to Liverpool and Arsenal and are spoilt for choice for goalkeepers with former Villa man Nigel Spink and Tony Roberts ex-QPR contesting the number one spot.
