

Anderson joins Blues on one-month loan

WANDERERS have signed Brentford left-back Ijah Anderson on a month's loan.

The 26-year-old will go straight into the side for tomorrow's match at Stockport County as a replacement for the injured Chris Vinnicombe.

And former Blues star Jamie Bates reckons 26-year-old Anderson is a perfect replacement for Vinnie, who will be out for three weeks with a groin injury.

Bates spent five seasons playing alongside Anderson at Griffin Park.

He said: "He's a good player. I'm surprised Brentford are letting him go. The last I heard Crystal Palace were interested in him and he could definitely

play at a higher level.

"He's got a great pair of lungs on him. He will get up and down the touchline in defence and attack and he's got a good left foot on him as well."

And he told fans to expect commitment.

He said: "He's a quiet lad off the pitch but he comes out of his shell when he's playing and the opposing teams will certainly know he's there. The only thing against him is that sometimes he is so keen to win the ball that he can be a bit rash at times."

Anderson's exit has provoked a fans' outcry at Griffin Park.

Bees fans are furious that he has been allowed to leave the cash-strapped club

because chairman Ron Noades says he can't afford to pay his wages.

Anderson said: "I'm a victim of Brentford's demise.

"I was one of the best defenders down there and they know that. But it is political down there with my wages.

"My wages are too high for the club. My contract is up at the end of the season and they've told me I can go on a free.

"Coming to Wycombe is a change. I'm here on a month's loan and we will see what develops after that.

"Ijah Anderson is coming here to enjoy himself and to work hard for the team and help change their fortunes in the league.

Blues boss Lawrie Sanchez is delighted with his capture, who played 50 minutes in the reserves 3-1 defeat at home to Millwall on Wednesday.

He said: "He's a player we've admired from afar for a while. He's come in for a month and we will review it after that."

Anderson is seen as a good prospect because he can also play centre half and is being viewed as a potential permanent signing.

Vinnicombe, who was one of only two ever presents in the Blues camp, was crocked six days ago after a challenge from Jack Smillie on the training field.

Vinnie said: "It's one of those unfortunate things that happens. He got the ball - it is just one of those things."