

Blues said No to Utd's Hall

PREMIERSHIP footballer Fitz Hall was considered not good enough for Wycombe Wanderers.

Blues chairman Ivor Beeks admitted at Monday's fans forum that Wanderers did watch the lanky defender when he was at Chesham United but reported that the scout came back and said he wasn't good enough.

Hall and another Chesham player, striker Wayne Andrews were then snapped up by Oldham. Hall has since moved to Premiership Southampton, although he has yet to feature in the first team.

● Beeks admitted that whoever gets the manager's job has got less material to work with as he tries to save the Blues from relegation than Lawrie Sanchez had when he performed the Houdini act when he arrived four and a half years ago.

Beeks told the Fans Forum: "We have ended up with a squad of players which is not as good as when Lawrie arrived."

But this time Wanderers do have time on their side with 31 games left to pull clear instead of 18 when Sanchez first came in.

And he added that the board would try to make money available for loan signings.

He said: "The last thing on our agenda is third division football."

● Axed boss Lawrie Sanchez has rejected Wanderers' first settlement offer.

He said No to Wanderers initial offer to pay him for just five of the 18 months which remained on his contract when he was sacked.

● The reserves lost 2-1 at Colchester in the Pontins's Holiday Combination despite Mark Philo giving them the lead after five minutes in a match which saw the return of Ian Simpemba following his loan at Conference side Woking.

Wycombe: Williams, Simpemba, Rogers (Dell 74), Johnson, Oliver, Philo, Mapes, Roberts, Cook, Harding (Dixon 46), Bell (Harris 46).

● Blues entertain Chesham in the Berks and Bucks Cup on Tuesday (ko 7.45pm). Admission will be £7 adults, £4 concessions and U16s £2.