



## **A solitary goal from Cameron Humphreys was enough for Wycombe as they saw off Lincoln City and maintained their automatic promotion hopes.**

Mike Dodds named an unchanged eleven to the side that beat Rotherham twelve days ago but he re-introduced Alex Lowry back on the subs bench in place of Tyreeq Bakinson. And in the early exchanges, it appeared that Wycombe were likely to build on the previous win with some positive exchanges. But Lincoln City restricted the Chairboys to efforts from distance. Both Josh Scowen and Xavier Simons had the best efforts as the visitors restricted any clear cut chances. But the Chairboys would go on to have the best chance of the first half when Adam Reach dummied his defender on the bylines before delivering a cross come shot which was tipped by Lincoln's goalkeeper George Wickens onto the crossbar before being scrambled away by the Imps defence.

Come the second half, Lincoln started the stronger as Erik Ring forced Will Norris into an important save after a series of direct deliveries which were cleared by the Chairboys defence. Wycombe would then experience a moment of controversy from a free kick. As Caleb Taylor rose the highest to meet a cross, Wickens failed to connect with the ball and instead met the face of Taylor. To the disbelief of the Adams Park faithful, referee Scott Jackson failed to see it that way and instead awarded a free kick to Lincoln. But moments later, Wycombe would eventually break the deadlock. A through ball by Luke Leahy was clumsily mis-kicked by Lincoln's Sean Roughan which allowed Cameron Humphreys to run through on goal. Humphreys cleverly deceived both Wickens and the scrambling Lincoln defenders before dispatching and giving Wycombe the lead. Wycombe maintained their intensity and could have extended the lead further through Richard Kone and Caleb Taylor as both saw efforts defended well. Even Xavier Simons got in the act as he almost deceived everyone with a low shot that was inches wide of the Lincoln City goal.

With the Imps desperate to bring themselves back into the game, they threw on a number of substitutes to change their fortunes. However that was soon made more difficult when a ball into the box was seen out by Joe Low only for Lincoln's Paudie O'Connor to lash out wildly at Low. Referee Jackson issued a red card to end O'Connor's action for the day and ultimately any redemption for Lincoln. As full time was blown, Mike Dodds alluded to the fact that the game was hardly 'vintage' but it maintains the Chairboys in the automatic promotion hunt. And they can take further steps on Tuesday night as they host relegation beckoned Shrewsbury Town at Adams Park.