

CENTRAL & SOUTH EAST



AGONISING! Trey Charles' shot drifts wide, left, while Anthony Kozakis can't hide his disappointment

RELEGATION MISERY FOR THE MOLES

By Tom Dean

MOSELEY were relegated from the Bostik South Central Division after a narrow defeat to Northwood in front of an expectant home crowd.

A close-range Alex Witham finish was enough to sink Moseley's hopes of staying in the division as only a win would have given them any possibility of leapfrogging Hertford Town and avoiding the drop.

Northwood came closest to breaking the deadlock after a quarter of an hour when Tom Windsor tried his luck from long distance and saw his effort sail over Liam Allen's crossbar.

And Allen was required to make a reaction save not long

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after, as Ben Pattie picked out Trey Charles who couldn't hit the back of the net with his header.

With the scores level at half-time and Hertford trailing in their game against Bedfont, everything was still up in the air.

And Moseley nearly capitalised when Ryan Marklew and Ryan David forced Joe Partington into a superb double-save having earlier done well to keep Nicolas Osborne from breaking the deadlock.

But it was Witham who was the man to break Moseley hearts and after getting on the end of a Matthew Cooper delivery, he rammed the ball home.

Witham could have had another when he struck the post from the halfway line in the 90th minute after Allen had abandoned his goal in search of an equaliser - but it wasn't required as Moseley fate was sealed at the final whistle.

STAR MAN: Alex Witham (Northwood)
ENTERTAINMENT: ★★★★★



WIT'S END! Alex Witham is congratulated as his goal saw off Moseley

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