

Bedfordshire Football Association

Board of Appeal

**MINUTES FOR THE BOARD OF APPEAL
HELD ON THURSDAY 21st MARCH 2019,
AT BEDFORDSHIRE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION, DUNSTABLE, LU5 4JU**

Members of the Board of Appeal:

Peter Brown (Chair)
Noel Lewis
Mick McConkey

Secretary:

Nicholas Snelson

To hear an appeal by Bedford Albion against a decision of the Bedfordshire County Football League

Representing Bedford Albion:

Scott Moses (Manager)
Samuil Vladimirov (Assistant Manager)

Representing Bedfordshire County Football League:

Barry Snelson (Secretary)
Peter Francis (Vice-Chairman, Registration Secretary [inc. Press & Media (Results)])

From the evidence provided the Board of Appeal decided as follows:

The Appeal by Bedford Albion against the decision of the Bedfordshire County Football League is dismissed. The appeal fee is forfeited and there is no order to costs. There is no further right to appeal against this decision.

By the clubs own admission they were aware of the player's eligibility issue prior to the game having been removed from the County Cup earlier in the season for the same offence. The club also acknowledged that they were not aware that the league cup eligibility was affected by a players involvement in Bedfordshire FA County Cup competitions, which the rules clearly state. The Board of Appeal felt the club failed to check the league rules sufficiently and failed to try to establish the eligibility of the player with the league prior to the fixture knowing there was an issue.