Lewis Allan joins Forfar on loan

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Lewis Allan has joined Forfar on loan from Hibs for the duration of the season, and made his debut in the Loons 4-1 win over Stenhousemuir this afternoon.

Speaking to hibernianfc.co.uk, the highly rated youngster said: "I'm delighted to be playing first team football.

"It really is a step up from playing in the Development League in terms of the intensity and the fact that you are battling to earn three points in every game.

"Forfar are challenging for promotion this season, so it's a great environment to be in.

"I'm hoping to gain a lot of experience from playing first team football week in, week out; I can only benefit from doing that.

"Plus I'm learning from playing alongside the likes of Derek Young and Rab Douglas.

"I'm really looking forward to helping Forfar and I'm very excited about it."

The teenager signed a contract extension at Easter Road in February will keep him with Hibs until 2018, but Head Coach Alan Stubbs has sufficient cover up front and believes that Allan's career would benefit from regular first team football.

He made his debut for Hibs against Falkirk in December 2014 before moving to Dunfermline Athletic on loan where he played eight times.

Earlier this season he came on as a substitute for Dominique Malonga after the striker sustained an early injury against Rangers at Easter Road in the Petrofac Training Cup.