

# Jason Cummings poised to sign new deal with Hibs



Hibs' Head coach Neil Lennon has confirmed that talks are ongoing with Jason Cummings with a view to the youngster signing a new contract with the club.

The news will be welcomed by supporters ahead of the forthcoming campaign and Lennon believes that staying at Easter Road will prove beneficial to the striker's future career.

Cummings scored after only twelve seconds against Berwick Rangers in Lennon's first game in charge then added another against Edinburgh City on Thursday night.

Speaking after the game, Lennon said: "I think we are pretty close. I don't think we're far away at all now and that would be a massive boost for us. Jason is only 20, but I think he's got really good attributes and there's more to come from him.

"He's best placed to do it here because it's an environment he's familiar with. He knows that myself and Garry (Parker) think very highly of him and he knows that he'll play his fair share of games this season if he stays fit. That's not guaranteed if he goes down the road.

"I think at least another year here will stand him in good stead going forward.

"He understands that and I think he's pretty happy with that.

"I like him – he's not the brightest but got a good sense of humour and his workrate is very good. He is honest on the pitch and he doesn't shirk from his responsibilities.

“He’s willing to improve because he’s got that ambition about him. I think he’s got the knack that all good strikers have, he’s in the right place at the right time and scores the scruffy goals as well, which every team needs. I think that’s important. His attitude has been excellent.”