Hibs' home kit launch delayed

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The adult sized Hibs' home kit will now be on sale in the Hibernian Clubstore from week commencing 15 August 2016 following a further supplier delay.

The club was assured by Nike and our retail partner Just Sport that the kits would be available for sale from Thursday 4 August, which was a delay itself on the initial planned launch date of early summer,

Chief Executive Leeann Dempster said: "I'm sorry for the long delay in the availability of the Nike kits. While this is an issue that has affected both ourselves and many other clubs in the UK, supporters quite rightly expect to be able to buy the kits well before now.

"The delays have caused everyone at the Club great frustration, particularly after such a successful launch last season and given that we planned ahead and signed off the designs in September last year. We were hoping to build on the popularity and success of last year's kit, but this delay has certainly gone against us. We have pushed as hard as we can to get the stock as quickly as possible and we will continue to do this until it arrives. When it does, we are sure you will like it.

A spokesperson for Just Sport said: "Unfortunately there have been further issues in the supply chain since the original announcement regarding the Adult Home Kit Launch date.

"There are major issues in the ports at Antwerp and Rotterdam causing long delays in Nike being able to receive their containers out of these ports. The latest update we have is that the kit should be available in store week commencing 15th August.

"We are doing everything in our power to bring this date forward and will keep the club fully updated as soon as we have any further information. We would like to apologise again to the supporters of The Club for the delay and look forward to being able to launch the kit in the coming weeks."

A Nike spokesperson said: "Just Sports Pro and Nike have encountered delivery delays. All parties are endeavouring to ensure that the full range of Hibernian FC product is available as soon as possible."