

St Mirren boss confirms Hibs' interest in Paul McGinn



St Mirren manager Jim Goodwin has confirmed that Hibs have made an approach for St Mirren full-back Paul McGinn who is out of contract in summer.

Despite having three right backs in the squad, David Gray, Tom James and Steven Whittaker, Jack Ross is believed to view the 29-year-old as a replacement for on-loan Jason Naismith, who is set to be sidelined for six months with a knee injury.

Goodwin said: "We'll see what happens. Jack Ross likes Paul and they need a right-back after Jason Naismith did his cruciate.

"There has been a bit of interest and we'll see what happens," said Goodwin.

"There's been an enquiry and the ball is in Paul's court.

"But we don't want to lose anyone, especially someone as important as Paul has been to this club over the years. But we don't want to keep a player that is unhappy, so we'll see what comes of it."

McGinn is the brother of 'Super' John McGinn who made a similar move from Paisley to Leith before a big money move to Aston Villa.

He is in his second spell with the Saints and has also played for Queens Park, Dumbarton, Dundee, Chesterfield and Partick Thistle.