

# David Gray praises his players character after night of high drama at Easter Road

Hibs head coach David Gray praised his players for their character, after a night of high drama at Easter Road.

After 90-minutes Hibs were 2-1 down to Aberdeen but equalised with a wonderful free-kick from Nicky Cadden.

But the Dons took the lead moments later and everyone assumed that would be the winner.

Then in the dying seconds Rocky Bushiri got on the end of a Dwight Gayle knock down and bundled the ball into the net to rescue a point.

When speaking to Hibs TV after the game, Gray gave his immediate thoughts.

“It’s mixed emotions to be honest. We played really well in the game and got ourselves ahead, but I think we deserved to win it on chances created.

“There’s been a lot of questions asked about the character and mentality of the group, and I think they demonstrated tonight that they’re trying to turn this around through their effort and endeavour.

“We went right until the very end and got at least what we deserved.”

Gray is now hoping that the huge moment at the end of the game can be a turning point for the Hibeers.

“You’ve seen the energy at the end of the game (after our equaliser). We’ve been on the receiving end of these moments this season.

“We only get a point, but the atmosphere is different when you score a last-minute equaliser. You saw that in the stadium, the crowd’s reaction and the support we got drove us on. We need them to keep doing that, especially in difficult periods. If we put in performance levels like that and show that desire, then we will turn this around.”