



# Washington FC Match Report

**Date: Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

**Opposition: Guisborough Town**

**Venue: The KGV Ground**

**Competition: FA Vase 1<sup>st</sup> Round Qualifying**

Washington AFC travelled to Guisborough to kick start their Fa Cup Vase campaign. They were on the back foot for most of the first half, with the hosts squandering the chance to score from the penalty spot, they never seemed to dwell, and instead scored either side of half time, with Josh Rowbotham scoring twice. As Washington asked questions of the Guisborough defence, the hosts broke at the dying embers of the game, and added a third through Sonni Coleman.

It was a scrappy opening affair, with neither side creating anything clear cut in the opening stages.

The hosts were gifted a penalty mid way through the first half though, as Sam Lilley brought down Town winger Brandon Holdsworth. The penalty was saved, as Harry Archer made a fine stop to deny Sonni Coleman.

Washy did grow into the game however, as Jak Hanson fired a shot wide shortly after Archer's penalty save.

The hosts continued to ramp up the pressure though, and after a series of blocks from Sam Lilley and Daniel Bennett, a looping header from Guisborough's Josh Rowbotham found its way into the top corner on the stroke of half time.

Guisborough then doubled their advantage shortly after the break, with Rowbotham grabbing his second of the match.

Washy kept plugging away though, with Alex Dobinson and Jak Hanson coming close to halving the deficit.

It wasn't to be though, as Town added a third at the end, with Sonni Coleman scoring for the hosts