

AFC Sudbury 3

Tilbury 0

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Isthmian League North

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Following a stalemate with Canvey Island during the week, Tilbury travelled to AFC Sudbury for the first time since 2021. George and Jack made a couple of changes to the side from Tuesday, as Soumen Nandi and Brad Bennett both returned to the starting 11.

The first real chance of the game fell the way of Tilbury on the stroke of half-time. Ben Allen did well to intercept a pass in the middle of the park before firing a ball into the feet of Rasheed Salau. Rash then released Jon Nzengo on the right, who saw his effort roll wide of the target.

With 25 minutes remaining, the hosts took the lead against the run of play. A cross from the left-hand side caused a scramble in the box which led to an incredible save by Billy Lawlor and an even better block by Joe Elliott. However, neither body could stop the eventual goal as Reuben Chinnery bundled the ball over the line for the lead.

Archie Jolland soon increased the deficit, when he latched onto a loose ball on the edge of the Tilbury penalty area. Jolland took a touch to set himself and rifled his strike past Lawlor.

The game then went from bad to worse for the visitors, as they conceded a third in the final few minutes. The goal came from a corner which was delivered deep towards the back post. The ball was headed back across the box where the captain, Kyran Clements, was on hand to turn the ball home from close range.

That was all the action in Sudbury and it was another defeat on the road for Tilbury. The Dockers are back in action on Saturday 3rd October when we host Redbridge at Chadfields.

SQUAD: Lawlor, Bennett (Stimson), Taylor, Reeve ©, Elliott, Toussaint, Brocklebank, Allen (Rea), Nzengo, Salau, Nandi (Sidibe).

SUBS UNUSED: Winn, Wheatley.