

## Ladies' cup dreams alive

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WINSFORD Ladies, already crowned Cheshire and Manchester Women's League Division Two champions, booked their place in the semi final of the knock out cup with a win over Division One side Saffron Ladies.

Saffron had only been beaten twice prior to this match and their defensive qualities shone through in a game of few chances.

Winsford's Nicola Freeman had the best chance of the half, but put her shot wide of the post, while at the other end Blues keeper Kayleigh Hatfield made a good save near to her post.

The second half began with Winsford creating two good chances but the Saffron defence proved to be a difficult obstacle to beat.

At the other end Winsford's central defenders Emma Johnson and Leanne Tobin were in outstanding form and denied Saffron and chances.

Just as the game seemed to be heading for extra-time, Winsford were awarded a corner in the 86<sup>th</sup> minute.

Michaela Thompson delivered an excellent in-swinging corner which was superbly met with a flying header by Sharon Tidd.

Winsford held on for a momentous victory keeping their dreams of a league and cup double alive.

Winsford now face Manchester City in the semi-final on May 1<sup>st</sup>.