

WRITTEN REASONS OF THE FAST TRACK TRIBUNAL



IN THE MATTER OF A MISTAKEN IDENTITY CLAIM BROUGHT BY:

Musselburgh Athletic (the Club)

on behalf of

Oban Anderson (the Player)

1. These are the written reasons for a Determination made by a Fast Track Tribunal which convened on 4 December 2024 to deliberate this Claim.
2. In the 58 minute of the Scottish Gas Men's Scottish Cup 2024/2025 fixture between Musselburgh Athletic F.C. - Bo'ness United F.C. on 1 December 2024 the Player was cautioned by the Referee for Unsporting behaviour, Recklessly challenge or attempts to challenge an opponent.
3. The Claimants submitted a Claim of Mistaken Identity on behalf of the Player. In support of this Claim, the Club submitted video footage showing the incident in question and written submissions.
4. In order for a Claim of Mistaken Identity to be upheld, the Fast Track Tribunal must be satisfied, by way of evidence submitted and upon the balance of probabilities, that the Referee made an Obvious Refereeing Error in cautioning the Player.
5. In summary, the Claimant's submission was that the Player's team mate number 24, Michael Barfoot was the player that made the challenge and that the Player did not initiate the tackle.
6. The Fast Track Tribunal viewed the video footage of the incident and carefully considered the written submissions from the Claimants.
7. Having considered all the evidence, the Fast Track Tribunal decided that the Claimants had UNSUCCESSFULLY demonstrated that an Obvious Refereeing Error had OCCURRED. There was nothing in the video evidence which allowed the panel to be certain that the Player was not the perpetrator of the offence.
8. The Determination of the Fast Track Tribunal was that the Claim be DISMISSED and the original sanction should be REIMPOSED.
9. The Determination of the Fast Track Tribunal is final and binding on all Parties and is not subject to Appeal.