

Egbertians recorded what turned out to be a comfortable win against the side that beat us to the North One League title last season on goal difference.

The game started brightly with both teams zipping the ball about in windy conditions.

Our defence held strong and looked comfortable throughout, and the five lads across midfield worked tirelessly, with everyone pressing the ball when not in possession, a feature of our success so far this season.

Egbertians had a few good chances to score in the first half, James Cook firing over the bar following a flowing move involving Ryan Murray and Dave Burnage, and Burno then being denied by the Leyton keeper from close range.

Eventually the goal came two minutes before half time, Ryan Murray chasing the long ball down the middle, holding off the challenge of the centre back before rounding the keeper and slotting home left footed.

Two minutes after the restart and it was 2-0, Dave Burnage got in behind the home side's left back, rounding the keeper before putting the ball back across goal for Joe Lustig to arrive and tap home.

From then on we closed out the game and in truth rarely looked like conceding. With two games left, we know that avoiding defeat against Parkfield will seal the league title for us.