BRADFORD CITY ACADEMY 3-9 LEEDS SCHOOLS FA

Leeds Schools FA U11s headed to the manicured surroundings of Woodhouse Grove School on Thursday night and dished out a spanking to Bradford City Academy.

Carter Lewis rattled in a hat-trick as Leeds capitalised on a lot of over-elaborating at the back from the hosts, with at least four goals directly down to generous defending.

Leeds were nonetheless worthy winners and took the lead in the very first minute with a tidy finish by Kenneth Mensah. Jaden Johnson then profited from Bradford's first act of generosity of the evening by closing down a defender who had just received a short goal kick, dispossessing him and poking home.

With Finlay Briggs looking very solid at the back Leeds encountered few problems as they got to the 20-minute break with a two-goal cushion.

Lewis made it three with a rasping finish after being set up by Mensah's delicious backheel and he nabbed his second of the night after Bradford's goalkeeper fumbled a backpass into his path.

Bradford got one back through a very tasty solo goal but Alfie Dawes restored the visitors' four-goal advantage by rattling low into the far corner from the left of goal – having hit the bar a little earlier from a similar angle on the right.

After the second break in the game, which was split into thirds, Leeds went 6-1 up when a looping cross was turned in at the far post by Aden Surtees.

Bradford reduced arrears again by scything through the middle of defence and finishing efficiently past goalkeeper Ollie Latham, but Leeds pressed the accelerator thereafter, with Lewis completing his treble by finishing off a fine throughball by Dawes to make it 7-2.

Leeds' final two goals in the enveloping darkness both came from slackness at the back by Bradford with Dawes getting his second and Lewis Spellman joining in the fun by sliding home from close range. A late Bradford strike didn't take any gloss off a fine Leeds victory.