A31 Kate Nevens

Statement

Hello, I'm Kate Nevens, one of our target candidates for Edinburgh and Lothians East. As the #2 candidate on our regional list, I'd be thrilled to also stand for our second greenest constituency – Edinburgh North Eastern and Leith.

Although I live in Edinburgh Central (our greenest constituency, where we have already selected Lorna Slater MSP), I have enormous love for Leith and am a Leither in spirit! The local

green team are wonderful, and it's one of my favourite places to speak to people on the doorstep, thanks to the community's diversity, perseverance (!), and radical leanings. Leith is also where I had my first Scottish job, take art classes, and have built many activist friendships and networks.

We are at an exciting moment as Greens: our movement is growing, and we are likely on the precipice of electing our largest-ever group to Holyrood. I believe our greatest chance of doing so is to focus our campaign on the list vote. As such, I recognise that standing in Edinburgh North Eastern and Leith is primarily about having a trusted name on the ballot paper, and if selected, I would continue dedicating my campaigning energies across the whole region. Bring on 2026!



1st preference:

Edinburgh North Eastern and Leith

Supporters

Cllr Susan Rae; Cllr Claire Miller



Statement

I adore Leith and I live here! I spend my Tuesdays at the Lost in Leith bar in writing groups, I engage with local sustainable businesses including those like the Dreadnought and bookstores nearby, I'm at open mics at the Argonauts bookstore and Typewringer, and I am at the False Widow's music sessions most Mondays. My communities around arts and culture, queer spaces, activism, and my work with racial and faith minorities are in Leith.

I believe that this selection isn't a competition -- I adore Kate and believe she will be an incredible candidate for Leith, and I'll use all my resources here to support whoever is selected for this constituency. But I was keen to run nevertheless, because I know that whether it's with connecting to racially diverse



demographics, artistic communities, or queer and trans communities, I will be the Greens' strongest asset as the constituency candidate for Leith: it will offer me a sense of belonging in this election that I can depend on when campaigning across the city. Democracy is messy, but it's also the best part about it.

I have been an active member of the local subbranch, which I know is one of the best in the country. There's a feeling of faith in Leith -- we saw it when a few of us stood for hours one day, at our stall recently on Leith Walk at Monty's Polis Box. We saw friends and family and strangers stop and tell us that they believe in the Greens -- and in a politics that makes them feel like they belong too.

1st preference:

North Edinburgh and Leith

2nd preference:

Northern

Supporters

Morgane Perez-Huet; James T Harding

A33 Chas Booth

Statement

Vote Chas Booth for Edinburgh North Eastern and Leith

I'm asking for your support to be the non-target candidate in our non-target constituency of Edinburgh North Eastern and Leith.

My reasons are:

- 1) If the constituency is non-target, we should have a non-target candidate running for it. I'm number 5 on the list, so I'm not a target candidate.
- 2) This constituency includes 100% of the Leith ward, which is the ward I represent at the council. This would help enhance my name recognition ahead of the council election in 2027, where I currently intend to stand for re-election.



If selected, I promise to attend hustings in the constituency only, and otherwise to direct all my campaigning efforts to the target constituency and the list.

I would not be prepared to be the candidate in Edinburgh Northern.

1st preference:

Edinburgh North Eastern and Leith

2nd preference:

None

Supporters

Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill; Mariusz Cebulski

Statement

As the first Green Councillor for Forth Ward in North Edinburgh I want to stand in the Northern constituency and give people the opportunity to vote for a Green on the purple ballot.

As well as representing Forth since 2022 I stood in the 2024 General Election and came third. This campaign was focused heavily around showing that Greens are not a wasted vote and that we have a real impact.

In this Holyrood election we must push further and stand against the rise of the far right and types of divisive politics they represent.

I represent people everyday who are struggling with housing issues, health problems, financial difficulties, access needs, and barriers to multiple areas of society.



I am asking for your support to be the candidate for Edinburgh Northern and confirm my understanding that this is a non-target position.

1st preference:

Edinburgh Northern

2nd preference:

Edinburgh North Eastern and Leith

Supporters

Chas Booth; Caitlin Burgess