Council Elections 2012 — Meet the candidates — Alison Lindsay

■ Alison Lindsay is one of the two SNP candidates standing for election in Drumbrae/Gyle Ward.

Here is what the SNP say about her:-

"Argyll-bred Alison moved to Edinburgh to train as a nurse at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, and subsequently trained as a midwife. Later, while living in Clackmannanshire, she obtained a BA (Hons) and Dip.Ed at Stirling University. Her professional life was always closely involved with people, their health, education and welfare. Alison spent years in poverty stricken, post revolutionary Romania teaching midwifery. Alison has three children.

Before returning to Edinburgh Alison Lindsay was an elected SNP Councillor and Convener of Education on Clackmannanshire Council from 1999 — 2003. During that time she introduced the Synthetic Phonics reading method, now used in all primary schools in Scotland and further afield. Her colleague and Leader of Clackmannanshire Council was Keith Brown MSP, now Minister for Transport and Housing in the SNP Government.

As an activist for the Scottish National Party for decades Alison believes that the SNP's fundamental principle is total commitment to the interests of the people of Scotland. Alison undertakes to make the same commitment to the people of Drum Brae and Gyle, and to do all in her power to ensure that residents can rely on all the services needed to pursue a full and contented family and working life while contributing to a safe, secure and thriving community. The SNP has brought a successful government to our country; we can do this in the great City of Edinburgh too by electing SNP Councillors from

Drum Brae and Gyle Ward."