

#SP16 Scottish Greens boldly going for more MSPs

✖ Patrick Harvie was being very green this morning as he took the train from Glasgow and then walked from Waverley to meet the assembled press at the police box on Leith Walk.

His colleague Andy Wightman arrived on a bike, showing that they do more than talk the talk. Wightman is the possible second Lothian list MSP along with Alison Johnstone who was first elected in 2011. The Greens tell us that around 12% of list votes for the Scottish Green Party would ensure that both Alison and Andy are elected to Holyrood. This would repeat the party's performance of 2003 when Robin Harper and Mark Ballard were both elected in Lothian.

But the thoughts are that there will be many more than just these three returned to Holyrood this time round.

Harvie is still very upbeat despite the long days and nights of campaigning now behind him. He told The Edinburgh Reporter: "It is the last day of campaigning. Across the whole of Scotland Green campaigners are out there asking Scotland to recognise that we can build a better country, a fairer more equal country that invests in the homes and jobs of the future.

[#SP16 Patrick Harvie Scottish Green Party](#) from [Phyllis Stephen](#) on [Vimeo](#).

"But we need a bolder Holyrood if that is to happen, and Green MSPs will be very much advancing that agenda in the next session of the Scottish Parliament.

Asked to tell us how many seats they will get, Patrick admitted that his track record of political betting is

dismal and he will not be putting any money on it, but said: "What I will be doing is putting every effort into the final day of campaigning and into activism on polling day to convince every voter we can possibly reach that a better Scotland is possible, and that we need a bolder Scotland to make that happen.