

# #GE2017 – Edinburgh North & Leith – Lorna Slater

The Edinburgh Greens have chosen Lorna Slater as their candidate for Edinburgh North and Leith in next month's General Election.



Lorna is an engineer who lives in Leith, and she stood as a list candidate at the 2016 Holyrood elections. She said : “I am delighted to have been selected as the prospective Green candidate for Edinburgh North and Leith for the UK election. It is vital that the city hears a Green vision of the kind of country Scotland can be: one where there is a fracking-free, sustainable economy in which land and enterprise belongs to all, where housing and healthcare are human rights; and where everyone can take part in society.

“I look forward to giving people the opportunity to support that vision.”

Co-convenor of Edinburgh Greens, Alys Mumford, said: “This is an unnecessary election. It has everything to do with the Conservative Party digging itself out of its Brexit mess and the scandal of its MPs’ alleged election spending; and nothing to do with what is in the best interests of the country. It is also the only election to use the “first-past-the-post” voting system which is decades past its sell-by date.

“After a successful council campaign in which Greens increased our vote share in Edinburgh and the number of councillors from five to eight, our members really want to get on with the vital community-based work to make Edinburgh a greener and fairer city.

“However, we also recognise that increasing number of people

in the capital expect to vote Green in any election and we want to ensure that at least some people have that opportunity. And that people in the capital need to hear a Green voice directly as part of the UK election. That is why we have decided to contest the seat of Edinburgh North and Leith."