

Edinburgh Central MSP elevated to the Lords

It has been announced that Ruth Davidson MSP will be appointed to the House of Lords.

Ms Davidson has accepted this appointment and confirmed that she will continue as the constituency MSP for Edinburgh Central until March 2021. She will only take up her seat in the House of Lords after her term in Holyrood ends.

Ms Davidson said: "I am honoured to follow in the footsteps of former Holyrood parliamentarians such as Jack McConnell, Jim Wallace and Annabel Goldie in being nominated for membership of the House of Lords.

"As a chamber dedicated to scrutinising and revising legislation, the upper house is stronger when it includes a range of voices with experience from different jobs, backgrounds, specialities and parliaments across the UK, and I believe I can make a contribution to its work.

"However, my main focus continues to be my Edinburgh Central constituency and I have confirmed that I will only take my seat after I cease to be an MSP in March."



Ruth Davidson announcing her retiral as party leader on 29 August 2019 Edinburgh PHOTO ©2019 The Edinburgh Reporter



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