Sue Webber chosen to contest Edinburgh South West for Conservatives

Sue Webber has been chosen as the new Scottish Conservative candidate for Edinburgh South West at the next UK General Election.

She says that the General Election in Scotland should be about SNP failure and the continued threat of nationalism.

Currently a list MSP for Lothian and The Scottish Parliament's education committee convener, Sue Webber was chosen at a selection meeting last week. The seat has been held by the SNP's Joanna Cherry since 2015.

Ms Webber said: "This election in Scotland is all about SNP failure… our hospitals face record waiting times, standards in our schools are plummeting, the police are underfunded, and our roads are an utter disgrace.

"Joanna Cherry might be a thorn in the side of the SNP leadership, but she still represents the SNP and the Nationalists have let down the people of Edinburgh South West for nearly 20 years. They have neglected our services because of their unrelenting focus on independence and the only way to end this distraction is for voters to stop supporting their candidates.

"Every constituency needs a strong opponent to take them on and I have a proven track record of delivering for local people and for standing up to the SNP, particularly in the battle to save Currie High School."

Ms Webber was a City of Edinburgh councillor for five years until 2022 and was elected to the Scottish Parliament in 2021. As well as convening the Scottish Parliament's education committee, she is the Scottish Conservative spokesperson on drugs and alcohol policy, and locally she is the vice-chair of the Juniper Green community hub.

She was brought up in the constituency, where she still lives, and attended Currie High School. She later studied at Edinburgh University and subsequently ran her own business supplying equipment for health care services.



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