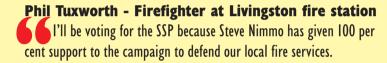
Why I'm voting SSP...

Lee Molloy - Theatre Staff Nurse at St John's Hospital
I'm voting for the SSP because they fight for public services.
In particular they want the return of all those services which have been
lost from St John's.



Maureen McGillivray -Nursery Nurse

I'll be voting SSP because they backed us during our strike against low pay and they fight for ordinary people.







SCRAP THE COUNCIL TAX

The Scottish Socialist Party has long campaigned to scrap the Council Tax. We now have a bill before parliament calling for it be replaced by a new Scottish Service Tax. Under our proposal, 77 per cent of people in Scotland would be better off.

How much **you** would pay under the SSP's Scottish Service Tax:

YEARLY INCOME	SERVICE TAX nothing!			
under £10,000				
£12,500	£II2 a year			
£16,000	£270 a year			
£19,000	£405 a year			
£24,000	£630 a year			
£31,000	£I,050 a year			

First Minister Jack McConnell and partner Bridget, a Glasgow Council chief, have incomes of £118,000 and £90,000. They would pay £27,800 Service Tax instead of their current £1,545 Council Tax.

For more information on the Scottish Socialist Party, phone Ol3l 668 4912, see our website: www.scottishsocialistparty.org or our special election blogspot: www.ssplivingston.blogspot.com

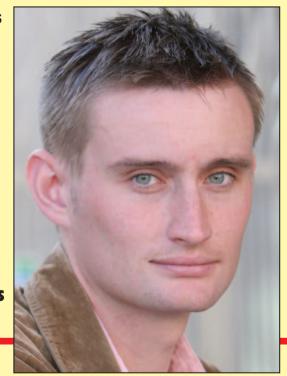
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Party Livingston Steven Nimmo

Steven lives in Bridgend with his partner and her son. He worked in St John's Hospital where he was a Unison shop steward. He has a proud record of campaigning for the people of West Lothian - against the closure of Motorola, in support of striking nursery nurses and firefighters, against cuts at St John's and in opposition to the Council's £5 rent rise. Steven has also campaigned strongly against the disastrous war on Iraq.



Steven says:

As this is a by-election, no-one is under any pressure to vote against the Tories or anyone else. Instead you can vote for the party, the policies and the principles that you believe in.

10 GOOD REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD VOTE SSP

The big parties will claim that a vote for the SSP is a wasted vote. Nonsense! Here are just ten good reasons to make sure there is a big vote for the SSP on September 29

- It would be another hammer blow against Tony Blair's murderous war on Iraq.
- It would pile pressure on Holyrood MSPs to back Tommy Sheridan's bill to scrap the Council Tax.
- It would boost Frances
 Curran's bill to introduce
 nutritious free school meals
 across Scotland.
- It could pressurise other parties to back Colin Fox's bill to abolish prescription charges.
- It would send a message to the Scottish Executive that cuts in local fire services will not be tolerated.

- It would be a resounding 'NO' to privatisation and could thwart plans for a new private prison at Addiewell.
- It would strengthen the campaign to restore acute services at St John's Hospital.
- It would turn the heat on the politicians to make poverty history.
- It would turn the spotlight full glare on the twin obscenities of low pay and pensioner poverty.
- It would show the breadth of support for an independent, green, socialist Scotland.

The SSP is AGAINST war, poverty, inequality, racism, nuclear weapons, global warming

The SSP is FOR socialism, independence, civil rights, trade unionism, a clean green planet

Where do they stand?

Who deserves your support? Scotland's six parties put to the test on five key issues:

Which parties?	Labour	SNP	Tories	Lib Dem	Greens	SSP
Back Tommy Sheridan's bill to replace the Council Tax with a fair new income-based service tax	X	×	X	X	X	
Support nutritious free school meals for all Scotland's pupils	X	×	×	X		/
Want to tax the rich, raise pensions and introduce a minimum wage of £8-an-hour	X	X	X	X	X	/
Would rid Scotland of nuclear weapons of mass destruction	X	/	X	X	/	/
Spurn the gravy train by living on the average skilled worker's wage	X	X	X	X	X	/



The six Scottish Socialist MSPs with Bob Crow (left), national leader of the railworkers trade union - which broke with New Labour to affiliate to the SSP