

## WARD 15 - SOUTHSIDE/NEWINGTON

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|-------------------|--------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| <b>Electorate</b> | 24,666 | <b>Turnout 2026 by-election (%)</b> | 27.3  |
| <b>Votes cast</b> | 6,741  | <b>Turnout 2022 election (%)</b>    | 49.2  |
|                   |        | <b>Change 2022 - 2026 (%)</b>       | -21.9 |

### Successful Candidate

| Name          | Party                 | Elected at stage number |
|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| ELLIOTT, Ruth | Scottish Labour Party | 13                      |

### Candidates on ballot paper

| Name                          | Party                                    | First Preference Vote 2026 |                   |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
|                               |                                          | Valid votes                | Share (%)         |
| ELLIOTT, Ruth                 | Scottish Labour Party                    | 2,153                      | 32.1              |
| EMMS, Derrick                 | Edinburgh and East Lothian People        | 9                          | 0.1               |
| GASTEL ALEJANDRE, Isabella    | Scottish Greens                          | 1,978                      | 29.5              |
| KEIRDASHIAN, Roisin           | Independent                              | 63                         | 0.9               |
| KHOVANOV, Artie               | Scottish Liberal Democrats               | 543                        | 8.1               |
| LAYDEN, Nick                  | Scottish Conservative and Unionist       | 717                        | 10.7              |
| LUCAS, Richard Crewe          | Scottish Family Party - Christian Values | 38                         | 0.6               |
| MACKENZIE, Sam Alexander      | Scottish National Party (SNP)            | 757                        | 11.3              |
| MOFFAT, Sean McGregor         | Alliance for Democracy and Freedom       | 12                         | 0.2               |
| NEILL, Gary                   | Reform UK                                | 305                        | 4.5               |
| ROWBOTHAM, Markham            | Edinburgh and East Lothian People        | 7                          | 0.1               |
| SHILLCOCK, Richard            | Communist Party of Britain               | 46                         | 0.7               |
| WILKINSON, Marc               | Edinburgh and East Lothian People        | 78                         | 1.2               |
| <b>Total valid votes cast</b> |                                          | 6,706                      |                   |
| <b>Rejected papers</b>        |                                          | <b>2026</b><br>35          | <b>2022</b><br>96 |

**Share of First Preference Vote (%) (5%+ only)  
Southside/Newington**

