Our new Election Broadcast: vote Labour on Thursday

Nicola Sturgeon's broken record in government will be exposed today in a new Labour Party Election Broadcast.

The hard-hitting PEB, to be broadcast this evening, accuses the SNP leader of 'playing a broken record' as she continues to campaign for a divisive second independence referendum, rather than fixing our schools and hospitals.

The PEB will highlight:

- We have 4,000 fewer teachers, an attainment gap between richer and poorer pupils, bigger class sizes and declining results.
- More than 90,000 patients had to wait longer than four hours at A&E in 2016, while nurses have faced a real-terms pay cut.
- Local services like care for the elderly and schools will be hit with nearly £170m of cuts this year alone.

Nicola Sturgeon's answer to all these problems facing Scotland is another referendum.

Scottish Labour leader Kezia Dugdale said: "On Thursday, people can send Nicola Sturgeon a message that she should focus on the day job, rather than forcing another independence referendum that people in Scotland don't want.

"After ten years of the SNP campaigning for independence, Scotland's schools and hospitals have suffered. Nicola Sturgeon's answer is another referendum — she is playing a broken record.

"On Thursday, voters can elect a Labour MP who will spend every day fighting for local services, or they can elect an SNP MP who will spend every day campaigning for another divisive independence referendum.

"Only Labour can defeat the SNP in the majority of seats across Scotland, including Edinburgh South, East Lothian, Lanark and Hamilton East, Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill, Midlothian, and Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath.

"With a Labour government in Westminster, Scotland will be part of a country run for the many not the few."