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Scotland’s new Conservative MPs will aim “to deliver, not divide”, party leader Ruth Davidson said today.

At a photo-call for the 13 Conservative MPs, Ruth also said the new group would stand up for Scotland – by showing our best interests are met as part of the United Kingdom.

The party is also publishing analysis today which shows that the SNP was just 635 votes away from losing a majority of seats last week – underlining how much worse the result could have been for them.

Ruth said:

“I am delighted that we are going to be able to send 13 Scottish Conservative MPs to Westminster. They come from a host of different backgrounds and will bring real experience, enthusiasm and a passion for their local communities to the job.

“This team will aim to stand up for Scotland’s interests – and to show that those interests are best served by being part of the UK.

“We will aim to deliver, not divide – and to show how the Union can work for all of us.”

On the SNP, she added:

“The SNP had a terrible election – and were spared even more humiliation by the skin of their teeth.

“Quite simply, people in Scotland have had enough of their constant talk of division, and let their views be known through the ballot box.

“Nicola Sturgeon must now do more that reflect: she must take her threat of a second independence referendum off the table, and focus on her priorities in government.”