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As a politician, you sometimes have to do a photoshoot which you would normally have walked a million miles from.

[Profit should never be a motive in benefit assessments](#)

Yesterday, in the Scottish Parliament, I ruled out the use of private companies in assessing people for the benefits that will be delivered under Scotland's new social security system.

This was a proud moment. Profit should never ever be a motive in these important assessments and I wanted to let the people who will be relying on benefits know that I had listened to them and was making a clear decision on this issue.

[Only the SNP will stand up for Scotland](#)

"The Nasty Party".

It was with those three words that Theresa May – in her description of how the Tories were seen by ordinary people – first came to national political prominence.

[Seven years of Tory government. Seven ways they've failed Scotland.](#)

This year marks seven years of Tory government – despite people in Scotland rejecting the Tories at every single General Election for over sixty years.

SNP council election manifesto: what you need to know

Today Nicola Sturgeon launched the SNP's manifesto for the 4 May council elections in Edinburgh. [Read the manifesto in full here.](#)