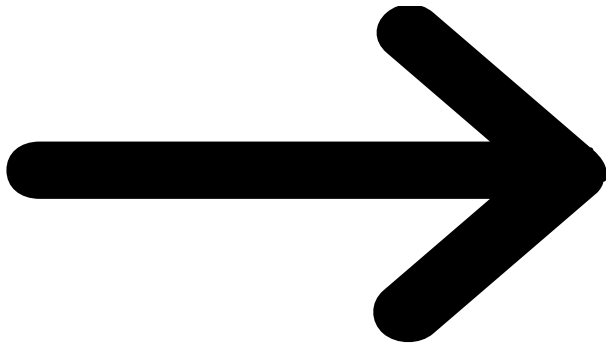


Corbyn surrenders on Indyref2

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Jeremy Corbyn has confirmed that the Labour party would not block a second Scottish independence referendum.

In comments to the BBC the Labour leader said, with reference to a request for Indyref2 from the SNP "It's not up to parliament to block it".

It confirms comments made last week by shadow chancellor, John McDonnell who also said he would not block a second referendum – in complete contradiction to Scottish Labour leader Richard Leonard.

Jackson Carlaw, Scottish Conservative deputy leader said:

"Simply put, Jeremy Corbyn has surrendered on a second independence referendum.

"Both he and John McDonnell are preparing to hand Nicola Sturgeon the referendum she wants in exchange for SNP support for a Labour government.

"Scottish Labour has been left dangling in the breeze – they are utterly irrelevant even to their own party.

"It's clear who's in charge of Scottish Labour and it's not Richard Leonard.

"It's a complete betrayal of thousands of Labour voters in Scotland who support the Union.

"It shows once and for all that Corbyn cannot be trusted to defend Scotland's decision to remain in the UK."