

Poll shows support for independence tumbling

Scottish Labour has urged the SNP to get back to governing after a new poll showed just 40% of Scots back separation.

The survey by Kantar shows that 60% of voters would back remaining in the UK if another divisive poll was held. It also shows strong opposition across the country to another poll being held at all.

Scottish Labour general election campaign manager James Kelly MSP said: "This is yet another poll that shows people in Scotland do not want another divisive independence referendum. It's time for the Nationalists to focus on the job of governing – like dealing with the crisis in our schools and tackling the problems in the NHS after a decade of SNP mismanagement.

"Voters can send a message to Nicola Sturgeon that Scotland is divided enough, we don't need any more division.

"The economic case for leaving the UK is even weaker now than when a clear majority rejected independence back in 2014. Whether it's on the economy, jobs or public services, together we're stronger by remaining in the UK.

"When people go to the polls for the council elections on 4 May and the General Election on 8 June they can vote Labour to elect a local champion; or they can vote SNP to elect a candidate who will only focus on another divisive referendum."