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Nicola Sturgeon has refused again to remove her threat of a second independence referendum – despite a poll showing 60 per cent of Scots want her to do so.

At First Minister's Questions today, she was urged to formally drop the idea of returning Scotland to another divisive vote.

This morning, it was reported that six in 10 Scottish voters – including a large chunk of Yes supporters – do not want a referendum rerun.

That follows the SNP losing 21 MPs at last week's General Election.

Scottish Conservative leader Ruth Davidson said the First Minister was "in complete denial" on independence, particularly after putting it "at the heart" of her Westminster campaign.

Instead, Ms Sturgeon said she'd "reflect" on the result, but fell short of ruling out another vote altogether.

Scottish Conservative leader Ruth Davidson said:

"The decisive majority of people in Scotland have no wish for a second independence referendum, and that includes many who voted Yes.

"The First Minister needs to take this off the table – or show herself to be in complete denial.

"The SNP's message on its referendum plan so far appears to be hunker down, attack anyone who asks for a bit of clarity, then hope none of us notice it pressing ahead regardless.

"Within hours of the Brexit vote Nicola Sturgeon pounced to threaten another referendum.

"Yet now, with independence under threat, she's saying it would be wrong to make such a knee-jerk decision.

"That's double standards of the highest order."

This morning, the Daily Record reported 60 per cent don't want another referendum:

<http://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/scottish-news/majority-scots-want-want-second-10624842>

Earlier this week, all Scottish Conservative MPs issued a statement telling Nicola Sturgeon to take independence off the table:

<http://www.scottishconservatives.com/2017/06/new-mps-demand-sturgeon-faces-up-to-indyref2-reality/>