

Candidate 5 evidence

4, The view states that "Compared to 2011, the result of the 2014 election for the Conderbeath constituency was a great success for the Labour party." It could be argued that it was a great success for the Labour party in 2014 compared to 2011 as in Source B we can see they gained 9.3% more of the votes in 2014. However, although they gained a higher percentage of the votes the actual number of votes cast for the Labour party was less. In Source A we can see that Labour actually lost 734 votes in 2014 compared to 2011, showing the election was not a great success. Also, the view further states

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<p>That "no other party could be pleased with the outcome." This is is untrue</p> <p>↓ When looking at the Conservative party, although they didn't win the constituency, they still won more votes than in 2011. Source A:</p> <p>Show that the Conservative Party gained 101 more votes than in 2011 and source B shows that they also won 2.4% more of the vote than in 2011. Therefore, this shows that the Conservative Party could be somewhat pleased with the outcome ↓ they done better than in 2011 even though Labour won the constituency.</p> <p>The new also states that "there was significantly greater participation in the 2014 election." This is ^{somewhat} untrue</p>	

In source C it actually shows that there were actually 1667 less votes cast than in 2011. This shows that there was less participation from the electorate in 2014 compared to 2011. However, in source B we can see that the amount of candidates standing for election in 2014 was more than in 2011. In 2011 5 candidates stood and in 2014 7 candidates stood. This clearly shows there was greater participation with the candidates who stood.

Overall, this shows that the view point is supported by the information to some extent. In the view point there was information which was true but

politically untrue which means the
sources
that did not completely support
the viewpoint.

B, the SNP lost 13.2% change of the vote, allowing Labour to extend their majority. Therefore the SNP could not be happy with the outcome. However, from source A, the Conservatives and ~~Labour~~ ^{somewhat} others can be pleased with the outcome as they both increased their number of votes from 2011, from source B, they also increased their change in the % of votes by 2.4% and 2.1% meaning that they have gained some votes off the SNP. Some parties could be ~~pleased~~ pleased with the outcome and therefore the ~~two~~ sources do not fully support the viewpoint.

Furthermore, the sources do not fully support the statement that there was a significantly greater participation in the 2014 election. This is because from

source C, the number of votes cast decreased by 5,667, meaning there was much less participation by voters compared to in 2011. However, the number of candidates increased by 2 in 2014 and therefore there was some increase in participation. So the sources do not fully support the viewpoint.

In conclusion, the sources only fully support one statement in the viewpoint regarding the success of the Labour Party and so to little extent the sources fully support the viewpoint.