The Highland Council By-Election

Declaration of Result Ward 13 – Aird and Loch Ness Date of Poll: 8 October 2015

I declare that the result of the election in the Aird and Loch Ness Ward is as follows.

There is 1 councillor to be elected.

The percentage poll was 32.35% There were 3,100 valid papers and 24 rejected papers.

The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected is 1,539.

The votes received by each of the candidates and this final stage at which the candidate was elected is as follows:

Name of Candidate	Number of Votes	Stage at which candidate has been elected
George Cruickshank - Scottish Conservative and Unionist	544	
Jean Mary Elizabeth Davis - Scottish Liberal Democrats	1,511	4
Zofia Fraser - Independent	330	
Emma Ann Knox - Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,167	
Vikki Tania Trelfer - Scottish Green Party	287	

Of the total ballot papers, the following were rejected as void and not counted on account of:

Adjudication Reject Reason	Number
Which does not bear a unique identifying mark	
No First Preference	
On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	24
On which anything is written or marked by which the voter can be identified except the printed number and other unique identifying mark on the back	
Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty	
Total number of ballot papers rejected	24

I, Steve Barron, the Returning Officer at the above election, hereby declare that Jean Mary Elizabeth Davis has been duly elected to serve as a Councillor for the Aird and Loch Ness Ward.

Steve Barron
Returning Officer

Date 9 October 2015