

**The Highland Council By-Election: Ward 18 – Culloden and Ardersier
Declaration of Result
Date of Poll: 6 October 2016**

I declare that the result of the election in the Culloden and Ardersier Ward is as follows.

There is 1 councillor to be elected.

The percentage poll was 30.51% There were 2,768 valid papers and 50 rejected papers.

The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected is 1,385.

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
Andrew JARVIE - Scottish Conservative and Unionist	589	
Thomas LAMONT - Independent	23	
Andrew James MACKINTOSH - Scottish Labour Party	180	
Isla MACLEOD-O'REILLY - Scottish Greens	209	
Duncan MACPHERSON - Independent	414	
David MCGRATH – Independent	158	
Pauline MUNRO - Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,001	
Trish ROBERTSON - Scottish Liberal Democrats	1,026	8
John ROSS - Independent	362	

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	44
On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	2
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	4
Total number of ballot papers rejected	50

I, Steve Barron, the Returning Officer at the above election, hereby declare that Trish Robertson has been duly elected to serve as a Councillor for the Culloden and Ardersier Ward.

Signature – Steve Barron
Returning Officer

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