

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING - 23 FEBRUARY 2017

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL - WARD 4, KILMARNOCK EAST AND HURLFORD
BY-ELECTION - 26 JANUARY 2017**

Report by Chief Executive

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to provide the results of the recent Council By-Election for Ward 4, Kilmarnock East and Hurlford, held on Thursday 26 January 2017.

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2. The result of the Ward 4, Kilmarnock East and Hurlford By-Election held on Thursday 26 January 2017 has now been received from the Returning Officer and is as shown in Appendix 1 to this report.

**LEGAL/GOVERNANCE/FINANCIAL/HUMAN RESOURCES/ COMMUNITY
PLANNING/RISK IMPLICATIONS**

3. Nil

RECOMMENDATION

4. The Council is asked to note the result of the By-Election held on Thursday 26 January 2017.

Fiona Lees
Chief Executive

JMcG/FM
1 February 2017

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS - Nil

Any person wishing further information on this report should contact Julie McGarry, Administration Manager on Tel No (01563) 576147.

Implementation Officer: Julie McGarry, Administration Manager

Election Results

This report contains the election results.

Contest Name

Ward 4 Kilmarnock East and Hurlford

I declare that the result of the election in the Ward 4 Kilmarnock East and Hurlford is as follows.

There is 1 councillor to be elected.

The percentage poll was 26.6%. There were 2,997 valid ballot papers and 33 rejected ballot papers.

The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected is 1,499.

The first preference votes received by each of the candidates and the stage at which any candidate was elected is as follows:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes	Stage at Which Candidate Has Been Elected
Fiona CAMPBELL	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,461	3
Jon HERD	Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party	602	0
Stephen MCNAMARA	Scottish Libertarian Party	53	0
Dave MEECHAN	Scottish Labour Party	881	0
Total		2,997	

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

Adjudication Rejection Reason	Number
Which does not bear a unique identifying mark in a form that is capable of being read by electronic means	0
On which the figure "1" standing alone is not placed so as to indicate a first preference for some candidate	18
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	0
Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty	13
	Total
	33

Returning Officer Signature: _____

Date: _____