

South Lanarkshire Council
Declaration of Results

This report is the Declaration of Results script for Returning Officer.

Contest Name

Ward 18 - Hamilton West and Earnock

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 18 - Hamilton West and Earnock. There are 4 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 15,083 and the number of ballot papers received was 5,958 giving a percentage turnout of 39.5%. There were 135 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,165.

The number of first preference votes for each of the candidates was:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Mary DONNELLY	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,731
Allan FALCONER	Scottish Labour Party	1,404
Graham William FISHER	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	753
Leonard GINGELL	Scottish Greens - Think Global Act Local	179
Graeme HORNE	Scottish National Party (SNP)	680
Jim LEE	Scottish Labour Party	385
Mark MCGEEVER	Scottish Liberal Democrats	691
	Total	5,823

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 18 - Hamilton West and Earnock:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Mary DONNELLY	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Allan FALCONER	Scottish Labour Party	1
Graeme HORNE	Scottish National Party (SNP)	4
Mark MCGEEVER	Scottish Liberal Democrats	7

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

2011 Order Rule 44(1)	Adjudication Rejection Reason	Number
(a)	Which does not bear a unique identifying mark in a form that is capable of being read by electronic means	0
(b)	On which a number standing alone is not placed so as to indicate a first preference for some candidate	18
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	99
(d)	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	1
(e)	Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty	17
	Total	135