## North Lanarkshire Council

## **Declaration of Results**

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**Contest Name** 

Ward 15 - Bellshill

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 15 - Bellshill. There is 1 Councillor to be elected.

The electorate was 12,410 and the number of ballot papers received was 2,819 giving a percentage turnout of 22.7%. There were 41 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,390.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Joseph BUDD	Scottish National Party (SNP)	753
Colin CAMERON	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	236
John Arthur Henry COLE	Scottish Liberal Democrats	34
Leo Francis LANAHAN	Scottish Family Party: Pro-Family, Pro-Marriage, Pro-Life	30
John MARSHALL	Alba Party for Independence	107
Anne MCCRORY	Scottish Labour Party	1,440
Rosemary MCGOWAN	Scottish Greens	44
Simona PANAITESCU	Freedom Alliance. Stop the Great Reset.	7
Billy ROSS	British Unionists - For a Better Britain	120
Neil WILSON	UK Independence Party	7
	Total	2,778

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following is elected as Councillor for the Ward 15 - Bellshill:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Anne MCCRORY	Scottish Labour Party	1

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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	0
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	36
(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	0
(e)	Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty	5
	Total	41