

## *Settling of the Clan Name Update from the Council of Presidents*

Dear Clan Members,

The Council sincerely appreciates your submissions of your preferences for the Clan Name over the last three months with a total of about 200 people having submitted a preferred name. Submissions closed on Sunday, September 15, 2024 as planned and announced.

The Council's processes have included checking and rechecking all inputs to make sure that each person's nomination has been received and that they are eligible to submit under the rules approved by the Lord Lyon. Unfortunately, some have not been eligible due to either their surname, their spousal relationship, or their age.

As part of the process, the data now will be audited by an independent Council member to ensure that the submissions were adjudicated correctly. This will take additional time and the Council appreciates your patience.

If, in the first round, there has been no 'overwhelming' consensus on a preferred name, the Council will need to prepare for a second round. Eligible participants who took part in the first round may take part in a second round if it is needed to reach agreement.

While not directly involved in determining a Clan Name, the Lyon Court nonetheless expects transparency, integrity and confidentiality in the process of achieving consensus. At all times the Council's actions are being scrutinised by the Supervising Officer appointed by the Lord Lyon and the Council is accountable to her in all aspects of the process of agreeing to a Clan name.

The Council will endeavour to provide results as soon as the audits are completed and the Supervising Officer is satisfied that due process has been followed.

Please check the Council website for updates and submit your questions to [clannameandcommandersesrch@mail.com](mailto:clannameandcommandersesrch@mail.com). Thank you.

Sincerely,

Council of Presidents

18 September 2024