#SP16 Chief Returning Officer explains his role

The photographers are just desperate for Kezia Dugdale and Ruth Davidson to arrive to give them something new to take photos of, the journalists are all searching for someone to give them a quote, and candidates are looking worried across all parties.

The boxes of papers were all in the building by midnight, so all that is left is the counting!

We took advantage of the slight lull in proceedings to speak to Andrew Kerr the Chief Executive of the City of Edinburgh Council and the Chief Returning Officer about his role.

His main duties are :

- setting up polling places
- providing staff to work at polling stations
- managing the postal voting process
- counting the votes
- declaring the local total.

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