

## Declaration of Results

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

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Ward 4 - Midlothian West

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 4 - Midlothian West. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 13,917 and the number of ballot papers received was 6,267 giving a percentage turnout of 45.0%. There were 105 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,541.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Richard Philip CHANDLER	Scottish Liberal Democrats	400
Andrew COVENTRY	Alba Party	74
Russell IMRIE	Labour and Co-operative Party	1,645
Pat KENNY	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,149
Kelly PARRY	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,126
Jill SIMON	Scottish Green Party	624
Pauline WINCHESTER	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1,144
<b>Total</b>		<b>6,162</b>

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 4 - Midlothian West:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Russell IMRIE	Labour and Co-operative Party	1
Kelly PARRY	Scottish National Party (SNP)	6
Pauline WINCHESTER	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	6

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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	6
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	78
(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	21
<b>Total</b>		<b>105</b>