

Declaration of Results

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

Contest Name

Ward 14 - Huntly Strathbogie and Howe of Alford

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 14 - Huntly Strathbogie and Howe of Alford. There are 4 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 12,148 and the number of ballot papers received was 5,714 giving a percentage turnout of 47.0%. There were 79 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,128.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Bryan Scott BEGG	Scottish Labour Party	441
Jeff GOODHALL	Scottish Liberal Democrats	784
Lauren KNIGHT	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1,491
Rosie LEAGAS	Independent	152
Gwyneth Elaine PETRIE	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,945
Stuart WHITBY	Scottish Libertarian Party	34
Robbie WITHEY	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	788
Total		5,635

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 14 - Huntly Strathbogie and Howe of Alford:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Jeff GOODHALL	Scottish Liberal Democrats	5
Lauren KNIGHT	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1
Gwyneth Elaine PETRIE	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Robbie WITHEY	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	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	10
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	63
(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	6
Total		79