

Declaration of Results

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

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Ward 4 - Fochabers Lhanbryde

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

The electorate was 8,253 and the number of ballot papers received was 4,064 giving a percentage turnout of 49.2%. There were 68 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,000.

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

| Candidate Name | Affiliation | Number of First Preference Votes |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Dave BREMNER | Scottish National Party (SNP) | 778 |
| Donald John Craig CAMERON | Scottish Liberal Democrats | 284 |
| Marc MACRAE | Scottish Conservative and Unionist | 1,590 |
| Shona MORRISON | Scottish National Party (SNP) | 940 |
| Ben WILLIAMS | Scottish Labour Party | 404 |
| Total | | 3,996 |

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

| Candidate Name | Affiliation | Stage at which Candidate was Elected |
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| Marc MACRAE | Scottish Conservative and Unionist | 1 |
| Shona MORRISON | Scottish National Party (SNP) | 3 |
| Ben WILLIAMS | Scottish Labour Party | 5 |

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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 |
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| (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 | 58 |
| (c) | On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate | 3 |
| (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 | 1 |
| (e) | Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty | 6 |
| Total | | 68 |