

East Renfrewshire Council  
Declaration of Results

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

Contest Name Ward 3 - Giffnock and Thornliebank

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 3 - Giffnock and Thornliebank. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 13,011 and the number of ballot papers received was 7,313 giving a percentage turnout of 56.2%. There were 80 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,809.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
George GEBBIE	Alba Party for independence	92
Colm MERRICK	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,888
Mary MONTAGUE	Scottish Labour Party	1,608
Alice ROY	Independent	464
Karen SHARKEY	Scottish Green Party	387
Allan STEELE	Independent	978
Gordon WALLACE	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1,816
	<b>Total</b>	<b>7,233</b>

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 3 - Giffnock and Thornliebank:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Colm MERRICK	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Mary MONTAGUE	Scottish Labour Party	5
Gordon WALLACE	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1

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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	1
(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	16
	<b>Total</b>	<b>80</b>