

Declaration of Results

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

Contest Name

Ward 5 - Leaderdale & Melrose

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 5 - Leaderdale & Melrose. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 9,107 and the number of ballot papers received was 4,690 giving a percentage turnout of 51.5%. There were 40 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,163.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Simon JOHNSON	Scottish Liberal Democrats	589
Jenny LINEHAN	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1,133
Michael NEEDHAM	Scottish Green Party	199
David PARKER	Independent	1,594
John PATONDAY	Scottish National Party (SNP)	918
Michael SCOTT	Scottish Labour Party	207
Chris STEFANEK	Vanguard Party championing Leaderdale and Melrose	10
Total		4,650

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 5 - Leaderdale & Melrose:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Jenny LINEHAN	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	2
David PARKER	Independent	1
John PATONDAY	Scottish National Party (SNP)	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	5
(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	0
(e)	Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty	32
Total		40