Declaration of Results

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| Contest Name | Ward 7 - Paisley Southwest |

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 7 - Paisley Southwest. There are 4 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 11,998 and the number of ballot papers received was 5,399 giving a percentage turnout of 45.0%. There were 135 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,053.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Stephen BURNS	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,288
Lorraine CAMERON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,120
Anne HANNIGAN	Scottish Liberal Democrats	754
Scott KERR	Independent	86
Kevin MONTGOMERY	Scottish Labour Party	1,384
Marc SCHMITZ	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	524
Richard VASSIE	Independent	108
	Total	5,264

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 7 - Paisley Southwest:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Stephen BURNS	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Lorraine CAMERON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Anne HANNIGAN	Scottish Liberal Democrats	6
Kevin MONTGOMERY	Scottish Labour Party	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	13
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	13
(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	109
	Total	135