

## Declaration of Results

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

Contest Name	Ward 5 - Inverclyde West
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I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 5 - Inverclyde West. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 8,773 and the number of ballot papers received was 4,804 giving a percentage turnout of 54.8%. There were 30 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,194.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
John BURLEIGH	Scottish Liberal Democrats	171
Martin MCCLUSKEY	Scottish Labour Party	1,247
Christopher William MCELENY	Alba Party for independence	126
Lynne QUINN	Independent	1,440
Sandra REYNOLDS	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,271
Ted RUNCIMAN	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	453
William WILSON	Independent	66
<b>Total</b>		<b>4,774</b>

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Martin MCCLUSKEY	Scottish Labour Party	1
Lynne QUINN	Independent	1
Sandra REYNOLDS	Scottish National Party (SNP)	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	0
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	25
(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	4
<b>Total</b>		<b>30</b>