Midlothian Council

Declaration of Results

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| Contest Name | Ward 5 - Midlothian East |

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

The electorate was 12,229 and the number of ballot papers received was 5,000 giving a percentage turnout of 40.9%. There were 58 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,236.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Bill KERR-SMITH	Scottish Green Party	428
Jenny Claire MARR	Scottish Liberal Democrats	274
Stuart Douglas MCKENZIE	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,045
Ann MONTAGUE	Scottish National Party (SNP)	616
Bryan POTTINGER	Scottish Labour Party	1,473
Peter SMAILL	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1,106
	Total	4,942

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Stuart Douglas MCKENZIE	Scottish National Party (SNP)	5
Bryan POTTINGER	Scottish Labour Party	1
Peter SMAILL	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	3

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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	3
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	47
(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	8
	Total	58