

## Declaration of Results

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

**Contest Name**

Fort William and Ardnamurchan

I will now declare the result of the election in the Fort William and Ardnamurchan. There are 4 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 9,021 and the number of ballot papers received was 4,056 giving a percentage turnout of 45.0%. There were 53 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 801.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Sarah FANET	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,341
Fiona FAWCETT	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	404
Angus MACDONALD	Scottish Liberal Democrats	1,500
Thomas MACLENNAN	Independent	373
Kate WILLIS	Scottish Green Party	385
Total		4,003

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Fort William and Ardnamurchan:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Sarah FANET	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Angus MACDONALD	Scottish Liberal Democrats	1
Thomas MACLENNAN	Independent	4
Kate WILLIS	Scottish Green Party	4

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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	18
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	35
(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	0
Total		53