

## Declaration of Results

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

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Ward 7 - Mid and Upper Nithsdale

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 7 - Mid and Upper Nithsdale. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 8,242 and the number of ballot papers received was 4,018 giving a percentage turnout of 48.8%. There were 46 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 994.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Tony BERRETTI	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,161
Jim DEMPSTER	Independent	1,087
Callum JAMIESON	Scottish Labour Party	504
Kyle THORNTON	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	591
Andrew WOOD	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	629
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3,972</b>

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 7 - Mid and Upper Nithsdale:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Tony BERRETTI	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Jim DEMPSTER	Independent	1
Andrew WOOD	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	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	10
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	1
(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	35
<b>Total</b>		<b>46</b>