

## Declaration of Results

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

Contest Name

Ward 8 Loch a Tuath

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 8 Loch a Tuath. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 2,216 and the number of ballot papers received was 1,148 giving a percentage turnout of 51.8%. There were 27 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 281.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Donald Finlayson CRICHTON	Independent	461
John A MACIVER	Scottish National Party (SNP)	246
Calum MACLEAN	Independent	249
Hazel Glenys MANSFIELD	Independent	39
Catriona MURRAY	Independent	126
Total		1,121

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 8 Loch a Tuath:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Donald Finlayson CRICHTON	Independent	1
John A MACIVER	Scottish National Party (SNP)	2
Calum MACLEAN	Independent	2

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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	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	26
Total		27