

## Declaration of Results

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

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Black Isle

I will now declare the result of the election in the Black Isle. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 8,842 and the number of ballot papers received was 4,752 giving a percentage turnout of 53.7%. There were 43 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,178.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Sarah ATKIN	Independent	634
Margaret BRYANT	Scottish Labour Party	243
Lyndsey JOHNSTON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,171
Morven-May MACCALLUM	Scottish Liberal Democrats	739
Okain John MCLENNAN	Independent	317
Bev SMITH	Independent	286
Theo STRATTON	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	695
Anne THOMAS	Scottish Greens - Delivering For Our Community	624
	<b>Total</b>	<b>4,709</b>

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Black Isle:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Sarah ATKIN	Independent	6
Lyndsey JOHNSTON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	2
Morven-May MACCALLUM	Scottish Liberal Democrats	8

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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	40
(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	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>43</b>