North Lanarkshire Council

# Declaration of Results

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

| Contest Name | Ward 20 - Murdostoun |
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I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 20 - Murdostoun.  There are 4 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 14,403 and the number of ballot papers received was 5,825 giving a percentage turnout of 40.4%. There were 136 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,138.

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

| Candidate Name | Affiliation | Number of First Preference Votes |
|---|---|---|
| Robert Livingston ARTHUR | Independent | 305 |
| Linsey MCKAY | Scottish Conservative and Unionist | 518 |
| Robert John MCKENDRICK | Independent | 1,545 |
| Cameron MCMANUS | Scottish National Party (SNP) | 1,106 |
| Louise ROARTY | Scottish Labour Party | 853 |
| Nicky SHEVLIN | Scottish Labour Party | 778 |
| Julia STACHURSKA | Scottish National Party (SNP) | 584 |
| | Total | 5,689 |

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 20 - Murdostoun:

| Candidate Name | Affiliation | Stage at which Candidate was Elected |
|---|---|---|
| Robert John MCKENDRICK | Independent | 1 |
| Cameron MCMANUS | Scottish National Party (SNP) | 2 |
| Louise ROARTY | Scottish Labour Party | 5 |
| Nicky SHEVLIN | Scottish Labour Party | 7 |

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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 |
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| (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 | 11 |
| (c) | On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate | 121 |
| (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 | 4 |
| | Total | 136 |