

Declaration of Results

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

Contest Name	Cromarty Firth
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I will now declare the result of the election in the Cromarty Firth. There are 4 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 9,918 and the number of ballot papers received was 3,928 giving a percentage turnout of 39.6%. There were 58 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 775.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Andrew Phillip BAXTER	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	261
Tamala COLLIER	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,127
Eric FRASER	Independent	45
Maxine MORLEY-SMITH	Independent	283
Pauline MUNRO	Independent	679
Molly NOLAN	Scottish Liberal Democrats	1,079
Daniel REAT	Scottish Greens - Delivering For Our Community	112
Kate STEVENSON	Independent	122
Kirsty STEWART	Scottish Labour Party	162
Total		3,870

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Tamala COLLIER	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Maxine MORLEY-SMITH	Independent	9
Pauline MUNRO	Independent	3
Molly NOLAN	Scottish Liberal Democrats	1

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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	13
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	45
(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		58