

Declaration of Results

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

Contest Name

Ward 02 - Garnock Valley

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 02 - Garnock Valley. There are 5 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 16,364 and the number of ballot papers received was 7,211 giving a percentage turnout of 44.1%. There were 167 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,175.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Robert BARR	Independent	388
John BELL	Scottish Labour Party	806
Anthea DICKSON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,362
Carol Ann DOBSON	Freedom Alliance. Truth, Equality and Health.	27
Margaret JOHNSON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	844
Ted NEVILL	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	327
Donald L REID	Independent	1,613
James ROBSON	Scottish Labour Party	190
Ronnie STALKER	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1,420
Catherine WILLIAMSON	Scottish Liberal Democrats	55
John WILLIS	Independent	12
Total		7,044

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 02 - Garnock Valley:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
John BELL	Scottish Labour Party	9
Anthea DICKSON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Margaret JOHNSON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	11
Donald L REID	Independent	1
Ronnie STALKER	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	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	7
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	140
(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	1
(e)	Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty	19
Total		167