Aberdeenshire Council

Declaration of Results

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Contest Name

Ward 10 - West Garioch

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 10 - West Garioch. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 9,227 and the number of ballot papers received was 4,281 giving a percentage turnout of 46.4%. There were 44 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,060.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Sasha BRYDON	Scottish Labour Party	324
Moray Charles GRANT	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,247
Sebastian LESLIE	Independent	273
Sheena Margaret LONCHAY	Independent	451
Anne MANSFIELD	Scottish Green Party	182
Elaine Helen Grace MITCHELL	Alba Party for independence	71
Sam PAYNE	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1,150
Hazel Linda SMITH	Scottish Liberal Democrats	539
	Tota	4.237

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 10 - West Garioch:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Moray Charles GRANT	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Sam PAYNE	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1
Hazel Linda SMITH	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	5
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	34
(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	5
	Total	44