Falkirk Council

## **Declaration of Results**

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

**Contest Name** 

Ward 2 - Grangemouth

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 2 - Grangemouth. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 12,741 and the number of ballot papers received was 5,161 giving a percentage turnout of 40.5%. There were 118 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,261.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
David BALFOUR	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,808
Marc BOZZA	Independent	157
Mandy BRYSON	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	685
John HASTON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	454
Stuart MARTIN	UKIP	27
Alan NIMMO	Scottish Labour Party	1,179
Robert SPEARS	Independent	611
Rhys STENHOUSE	Scottish Green Party	122
	Total	5,043

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 2 - Grangemouth:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
David BALFOUR	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Alan NIMMO	Scottish Labour Party	5
Robert SPEARS	Independent	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	3
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	17
(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	98
	Total	118