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Declaration of Results

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Contest Name

Inverness West

I will now declare the result of the election in the Inverness West. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 8,495 and the number of ballot papers received was 3,545 giving a percentage turnout of 41.7%. There were 42 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 876.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Bill BOYD	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,092
Ryan FORBES	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	327
lain FORSYTH	Independence for Scotland Party	46
Shaun Alexander FRASER	Scottish Labour Party	295
Alex GRAHAM	Liberal Democrat Focus Team	1,198
Ryan MACKINTOSH	Scottish Greens - Delivering for Our Community	262
Duncan MCDONALD	Independent	173
David SANSUM	Independent	10
Helen SMITH	Independent	100
	Total	3,503

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Bill BOYD	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Alex GRAHAM	Liberal Democrat Focus Team	1
Ryan MACKINTOSH	Scottish Greens - Delivering for Our Community	9

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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	38
(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	1
	Total	42