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Declaration of Results

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Contest Name

Wester Ross Strathpeffer and Lochalsh

I will now declare the result of the election in the Wester Ross Strathpeffer and Lochalsh. There are 4 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 10,406 and the number of ballot papers received was 5,485 giving a percentage turnout of 52.7%. There were 74 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,083.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation		Number of First Preference Votes
Chris BIRT	Scottish National Party (SNP)	-	988
Biz CAMPBELL	Independent		1,552
Margot KERR	Scottish Liberal Democrats		700
Liz KRAFT	Scottish National Party (SNP)		1,234
Patrick LOGUE	Scottish Conservative and Unionist		937
		Total	5,411

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Wester Ross Strathpeffer and Lochalsh:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Chris BIRT	Scottish National Party (SNP)	2
Biz CAMPBELL	Independent	1
Liz KRAFT	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Patrick LOGUE	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	5

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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	6
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	50
(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	18
	Total	74