

Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006

Business Improvement Districts (Scotland) Regulations 2007

Declaration of Ballot Result to Approve the Renewal of a Business Improvement District in Nairn

This is the result of the Ballot to renew a Business Improvement District under the Planning etc (Scotland) Act 2006, Business Improvement Districts (Scotland) Regulations 2007 within Nairn. The Ballot was held by post with polls closing at 5pm on Thursday, 24 August 2023.

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| The total number of eligible business premises (total number of ballot papers) of which a person is entitled to vote in the ballot is | 305 |
| The aggregate of the rateable values of relevant properties in respect of which a person is entitled to vote in the ballot is | £ 5,350,200 |
| The total number of votes cast in the ballot, excluding rejected ballot papers, is | 181 |
| The aggregate property rateable value in respect of which a person, excluding rejected ballot papers voted is | £3,232,800 |
| The return rate (turnout) in respect of those eligible to vote is | 59.53% |
| The return rate (turnout) in respect of rateable values is | 60.77% |

The votes cast were as follows:

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| YES – in favour of the Business Improvement District proposals for the areas within Nairn as specified on the Ballot Paper | 92 |
| NO – not in favour of the Business Improvement District proposals for the areas within Nairn as specified on the Ballot Paper | 89 |

The rateable values of the relevant properties in respect of which these votes were cast are as follows:

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| Aggregate of the rateable values of the relevant properties in respect of which a person voting in the ballot has voted for the BID proposals (A) | £2,479,700 |
| Aggregate of the rateable values of the relevant properties in respect of which a person voting in the ballot has voted against the BID proposals (B) | £753,100 |

On the basis of these papers:

1. The number of votes cast in favour of the BID proposals **exceeds** the number of votes cast against those proposals;
2. The aggregate of the rateable values of the relevant properties in respect of which a person voting in the ballot has voted for the BID proposals (A) **exceeds** the aggregate of the rateable values of the relevant properties in respect of which a person voting in the ballot has voted against the BID proposals (B);
3. At least 25% of the persons entitled to vote in the ballot **have** done so; and



4. The aggregate of the rateable values of the relevant properties in respect of which a person voting in the ballot has voted for the BID proposals (A) **plus** the aggregate of the rateable values of the relevant properties in respect of which a person voting in the ballot has voted against the BID proposals (B) **is** equal to at least 25% of the aggregate of the rateable values of all relevant properties in respect of which a person is entitled to vote in the ballot.

As these four conditions **have** been met I therefore declare that, on the basis of a ballot held for the purposes of section 38(1) of the Planning etc (Scotland) Act 2006, the BID proposals for the areas of Nairn listed on the Ballot Paper **have** been approved.

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| Kate Lackie Returning Officer The Highland Council | Julia Teixeira Consultant Civica Election Services |
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Papers were rejected for the following reasons:

No official mark

Both answers voted for mark

Unmarked or void for uncertainty 4

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| Time of Announcement | N/A |
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