## Wick By-election Results

The Highland Council Local Government By-election Electoral Ward No. 3 - Wick Thursday 7 April 2011

## Declaration of Notice of Result

I, Alistair Dodds, the Returning Officer at the above election hereby give notice that, after application of the Single Transferable Vote count rules, the total number of votes given for each candidate at the by-election was as follows:

Candidate	Party	Total No. of Votes Given for Candidate	Eliminated at the end of Stage No.
Laurel BUSH		75	2
Michael CARR	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	33	1
Claire CLARK	Scottish Liberal Democrats	236	
Neil MACDONALD	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	463	
Jim OAG	Independent	202	3
Gail Elizabeth ROSS	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,049	Reached quota of 1,047 at end of Stage 3
Niall SMITH	Independent	245	

And that Gail Ross has been duly elected to serve as a councillor for Ward 3 (Wick) multimember ward.

Electorate	5,564
Total Number of Votes Cast	2,124
Percentage Poll	38.2%
Total Rejected Ballot Papers	33
Total Valid Votes	2,091
Quota (number of votes required to be elected)	1,047

The number of papers rejected and not counted by me at this by-election was:

1. Want of Official Mark	0
2. On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a 1st preference is set opposite the name of more than 1 candidate	6
3. Over voting	2
4. Writing or mark by which voter could be identified	0
5. Unmarked or void for uncertainty	25
Total Number Rejected	33

Alistair Dodds, Returning Officer

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