

# The Highland Council By-Election

## Declaration of Result

### Ward 12 – Caol and Mallaig

1 May 2014

I declare that the result of the election in the Caol and Mallaig Ward is as follows.

There is 1 councillor to be elected.

The percentage poll was 34.43% There were 2,391 valid papers and 23 rejected papers.

The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected is 1,196.

The votes received by each of the candidates and this final stage at which the candidate was elected is as follows:

Name of Candidate	Number of Votes	Stage at which candidate has been elected
William Keelie MACDONALD, Scottish National Party (SNP)	881	
Liam Kevin SIMMONDS, UK Independence Party (UKIP)	139	
Ben THOMPSON, Independent	1,176	4
Susan WALLACE, Scottish Christian Party "Proclaiming Christ's Lordship"	63	
Sandy WATSON	551	

Of the total ballot papers, the following were rejected as void and not counted on account of:

Adjudication Reject Reason	Number
Which does not bear a unique identifying mark	0
No First Preference	5
On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	14
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
Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty	4
<b>Total number of ballot papers rejected</b>	<b>23</b>

I, Steve Barron, the Returning Officer at the above election, hereby declare that Ben THOMPSON has been duly elected to serve as a Councillor for the Caol and Mallaig Ward.

Signature  
Returning Officer

Date 2 May 2014