

Declaration of Results

This report is the Declaration of Results script for Returning Officer.

Contest Name

Ward 21 - Fort William and Ardnamurchan

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 21 - Fort William and Ardnamurchan. There is 1 Councillor to be elected.

The electorate was 9,015, and the number of valid ballot papers was 2,307. There were 20 rejected ballot papers, giving a percentage turnout of 25.6%. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,144.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Mark DRAYTON	.	56
Sarah FANET	Scottish National Party (SNP)	905
Roger LILEY	Scottish Liberal Democrats	231
Joanne MATHESON	Independent	88
Andy MCKENNA	Independent	194
Ruraidh STEWART	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	485
Kate WILLIS	Scottish Green Party	328
Total		2,287

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following is elected as Councillor for the Ward 21 - Fort William and Ardnamurchan:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Sarah FANET	Scottish National Party (SNP)	6

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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	13
(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	4
Total		20