

## Declaration of Results

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

Contest Name
--------------

Ward 7 - Tain and Easter Ross

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 7 - Tain and Easter Ross. There is 1 Councillor to be elected.

The electorate was 7,179 and the number of ballot papers received was 2,507 giving a percentage turnout of 34.9%. There were 24 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,242.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Gordon ALLISON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	630
Andrew BARNETT	Scottish Green Party	89
Harry CHRISTIAN	Scottish Libertarian Party	25
Barbara COHEN	Scottish Liberal Democrats	621
Laura DUNDAS	Independent	895
John SHEARER	Independent	89
Eva SHORT	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	134
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,483</b>

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following is elected as Councillor for the Ward 7 - Tain and Easter Ross:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Laura DUNDAS	Independent	7

## Declaration of Results

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

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	18
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	4
(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	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>24</b>