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Declaration of Results

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Contest Name

Ward 14 - Inverness Central

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 14 - Inverness Central. There is 1 Councillor to be elected.

The electorate was 8,520 and the number of ballot papers received was 1,732 giving a percentage turnout of 20.3%. There were 15 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 859.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Andrew BARNETT	Scottish Greens	158
Michael GREGSON	Scottish Labour Party	479
Chris LEWCOCK	Scottish Liberal Democrats	286
Martin MACGREGOR	Scottish National Party (SNP)	551
Donald MACKENZIE	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	150
Iain RICHMOND	Reform UK	93
	Tota	1.717

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following is elected as Councillor for the Ward 14 - Inverness Central:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Candidate was Elected
Michael GREGSON	Scottish Labour Party	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	10
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	1
(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	15