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Declaration of Results

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Contest Name

Ward 6 - Cromarty Firth

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 6 - Cromarty Firth. There are 2 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 9,832 and the number of ballot papers received was 2,420 giving a percentage turnout of 24.6%. There were 45 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 792.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation		Number of First Preference Votes
Ryan BARROWMAN	Scottish Greens	•	89
Sinclair COGHILL	Independent		326
Richard James CROSS	Independent		285
John EDMONDSON	Scottish Liberal Democrats		481
Brideen GODLEY-MACKENZIE	Independent		162
KIM HANNING JACKSON	Reform UK		52
ROLAND HANNING JACKSON	Reform UK		23
Odette MACDONALD	Scottish National Party (SNP)		403
Tina MCCAFFERY	Independent		97
Innes MUNRO	Scottish Conservative and Unionist		57
Michael PERERA	Scottish Labour Party		77
Martin RATTRAY	Independent		323
		Total	2,375

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 6 - Cromarty Firth:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Sinclair COGHILL	Independent	11
John EDMONDSON	Scottish Liberal Democrats	11

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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	40
(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	45