

Declaration of Results

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

Contest Name	Ward 21 - Fort William and Ardnamurchan
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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 8,985 and the number of ballot papers received was 2,449 giving a percentage turnout of 27.3%. There were 25 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,213.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Andrew Phillip BAXTER	Scottish Liberal Democrats	1,428
Marit BEHNER-COADY	Scottish Greens	146
Susan CARSTAIRS	Scottish Labour Party	109
Fiona FAWCETT	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	107
Nathan LUMB	Scottish Libertarian Party	15
Rebecca MACHIN	Scottish National Party (SNP)	619
Total		2,424

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
Andrew Phillip BAXTER	Scottish Liberal Democrats	1

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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	21
(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	3
Total		25