Aberdeenshire Council

## Declaration of Results

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

## Contest Name

Ward 10 - West Garioch

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 10 - West Garioch. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.
The electorate was 9,227 and the number of ballot papers received was 4,281 giving a percentage turnout of $46.4 \%$. There were 44 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,060 .

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

| Candidate Name | Affiliation | Number of First <br> Preference Votes |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Sasha BRYDON | Scottish Labour Party | 324 |
| Moray Charles GRANT | Scottish National Party (SNP) | 1,247 |
| Sebastian LESLIE | Independent | 273 |
| Sheena Margaret LONCHAY | Independent | 451 |
| Anne MANSFIELD | Scottish Green Party | 182 |
| Elaine Helen Grace MITCHELL | Alba Party for independence | 71 |
| Sam PAYNE | Scottish Conservative and Unionist | 1,150 |
| Hazel Linda SMITH | Scottish Liberal Democrats | 539 |
|  |  | Total |

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 10 - West Garioch:

| Candidate Name | Affiliation | Stage at which <br> Candidate was Elected |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Moray Charles GRANT | Scottish National Party (SNP) | 1 |
| Sam PAYNE | Scotish Conservative and Unionist | 1 |
| Hazel Linda SMITH | Scottish Liberal Democrats | 8 |

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Of the total ballot papers, the following were rejected and not counted on account of:

| 2011 Order <br> 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 <br> electronic means | 0 |
| (b) | On which a number standing alone is not placed so as to indicate a first preference for some <br> candidate | 5 |
| (c) | On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of <br> more than one candidate | 34 |
| (d) | On which anything is written or marked by which the voter can be identified except the printed <br> number and other unique identifying mark on the back | 0 |
| Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty |  | Total |

