## Aberdeenshire Council

## **Declaration of Results**

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**Contest Name** 

Ward 6 - Peterhead South and Cruden

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 6 - Peterhead South and Cruden. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 9,135 and the number of ballot papers received was 3,454 giving a percentage turnout of 37.8%. There were 59 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 849.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
George HALL	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1,105
Neil JOHNSTONE	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	298
Colin Alexander SIMPSON	Scottish Liberal Democrats	414
Stephen William SMITH	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,578
	Total	3,395

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 6 - Peterhead South and Cruden:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
George HALL	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1
Colin Alexander SIMPSON	Scottish Liberal Democrats	4
Stephen William SMITH	Scottish National Party (SNP)	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	5
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	42
(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	12
	Total	59