Aberdeenshire Council

Declaration of Results

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Contest Name

Ward 17 - North Kincardine

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 17 - North Kincardine. There are 4 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 12,478 and the number of ballot papers received was 5,557 giving a percentage turnout of 44.5%. There were 80 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,096.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
David AITCHISON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,182
Alastair BEWS	Independent	255
Shirley BURNETT	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	855
Jeff HUTCHISON	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	620
Elizabeth Wilson LESLIE	Scottish Family Party Pro-Family, Pro-Marriage, Pro-Life	75
Colin PIKE	Independent	527
Louise Claire ROSS	Scottish Green Party	314
Mel SULLIVAN	Scottish Liberal Democrats	850
Catherine Mary VICTOR	Scottish National Party (SNP)	799
	Total	5,477

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 17 - North Kincardine:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
David AITCHISON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Shirley BURNETT	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	6
Mel SULLIVAN	Scottish Liberal Democrats	7
Catherine Mary VICTOR	Scottish National Party (SNP)	9

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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	6
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	70
(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	80