## Declaration of Results

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## Contest Name

Ward 2 - Grangemouth

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 2 - Grangemouth. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.
The electorate was 12,741 and the number of ballot papers received was 5,161 giving a percentage turnout of $40.5 \%$. There were 118 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,261 .

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

| Candidate Name | Affiliation | Number of First <br> Preference Votes |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| David BALFOUR | Scottish National Party (SNP) | 1,808 |
| Marc BOZZA | Independent | 157 |
| Mandy BRYSON | Scottish Conservative and Unionist | 685 |
| John HASTON | Scottish National Party (SNP) | 454 |
| Stuart MARTIN | UKIP | 27 |
| Alan NIMMO | Scottish Labour Party | 1,179 |
| Robert SPEARS | Independent | 611 |
| Rhys STENHOUSE | Scottish Green Party | 122 |

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 2 - Grangemouth:

| Candidate Name | Stage at which <br> Candidate was Elected |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| David BALFOUR | Scottish National Party (SNP) | 1 |
| Alan NIMMO | Scottish Labour Party | 5 |
| Robert SPEARS | Independent | 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 | 3 |
| (c) | On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of <br> more than one candidate | 17 |
| (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 |

