Falkirk Council

Declaration of Results

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Contest Name

Ward 9 - Upper Braes

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 9 - Upper Braes. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 12,734 and the number of ballot papers received was 5,573 giving a percentage turnout of 43.8%. There were 74 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,375.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Claire BROWN	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1,202
Ian KENNEDY	Independent	89
Rachel KIDD	Scottish Green Party	308
John MCLUCKIE	Independent	459
Siobhan PATERSON	Scottish Labour Party	1,272
Austin REID	Scottish Liberal Democrats	139
Jim ROBERTSON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,918
Colin TODD	Alba Party for independence	63
Mark Andrew TUNNICLIFF	Independent	49
	Total	5,499

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 9 - Upper Braes:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Claire BROWN	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	8
Siobhan PATERSON	Scottish Labour Party	4
Jim ROBERTSON	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	8
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	7
(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	59
	Total	74