

Declaration of Results

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

Contest Name

Ward 7 - Falkirk South

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 7 - Falkirk South. There is 1 Councillor to be elected.

The electorate was 13,528 and the number of ballot papers received was 3,365 giving a percentage turnout of 24.9%. There were 36 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,665.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Claire AITKEN	Scottish Labour Party	1,014
Carol Anne BEATTIE	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,043
David GRANT	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	488
Stuart MARTIN	Reform UK	330
Sean MCCAY	Scottish Liberal Democrats	119
Sharron MCKEAN	Independent	184
Tom MCLAUGHLIN	Scottish Greens	151
Total		3,329

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following is elected as Councillor for the Ward 7 - Falkirk South:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Claire AITKEN	Scottish Labour Party	7

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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	1
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	2
(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	33
	Total	36