South Ayrshire Council

Declaration of Results

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Contest Name

Ward 5 - Ayr West

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 5 - Ayr West. There are 4 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 14,541 and the number of ballot papers received was 8,502 giving a percentage turnout of 58.5%. There were 133 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,674.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Gordon Hawley BRYCE	Scottish Family Party Pro-Family, Pro-Marriage, Pro-Life	108
Martin DOWEY	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	2,271
John DUNCAN	Scottish Labour Party	915
Lee LYONS	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	699
Derek McCABE	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	341
Jamie ROSS	Scottish Liberal Democrats	295
Bob SHIELDS	Independent	1,909
GEORGE WEIR	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,217
MARGARET WEIR	Scottish National Party (SNP)	614
	Total	8 369

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 5 - Ayr West:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Martin DOWEY	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1
Lee LYONS	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	9
Bob SHIELDS	Independent	1
GEORGE WEIR	Scottish National Party (SNP)	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	7
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	106
(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	20
	Total	133