

Declaration of Results

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

Contest Name	Ward 1 - Kirkwall East Ward
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I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 1 - Kirkwall East Ward. There are 4 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 3,700 and the number of ballot papers received was 1,700 giving a percentage turnout of 45.9%. There were 6 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 339.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
David DAWSON	Independent	285
Steven HEDDLE	Independent	428
Graham MACDONALD	Independent	92
John Ross SCOTT	Scottish Greens	476
Gwenda SHEARER	Independent	413
Total		1,694

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 1 - Kirkwall East Ward:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
David DAWSON	Independent	2
Steven HEDDLE	Independent	1
John Ross SCOTT	Scottish Greens	1
Gwenda SHEARER	Independent	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	1
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	5
(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	0
Total		6