Argyll & Bute Council

Declaration of Results

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Contest Name

Ward 7 - Dunoon

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 7 - Dunoon. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 5,613 and the number of ballot papers received was 2,792 giving a percentage turnout of 49.7%. There were 39 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 689.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
George DARROCH	Independent	168
Audrey E FORREST	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,126
Daniel HAMPSEY	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	493
Gordon Graham MCKINVEN	Independent	279
Ross MORELAND	Scottish Liberal Democrats	464
Kaitlin WALLACE	Scottish Labour Party	180
Susan WATLING	Scottish Family Party	43
	Total	2,753

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 7 - Dunoon:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Audrey E FORREST	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Daniel HAMPSEY	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	7
Ross MORELAND	Scottish Liberal Democrats	5

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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	24
(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	1
(e)	Which is unmarked or void for uncertainty	13
	Total	39