South Lanarkshire Council

Declaration of Results

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Contest Name

Ward 11 - Rutherglen South

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 11 - Rutherglen South. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 11,697 and the number of ballot papers received was 5,802 giving a percentage turnout of 49.6%. There were 73 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,433.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Robert BROWN	Scottish Liberal Democrats	1,686
Margaret COWIE	Labour and Co-operative Party	1,331
Alexandra HERDMAN	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	489
Carol NUGENT	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,825
Michael O'HARA	Scottish Family Party Pro-Family, Pro-Marriage, Pro-Life	73
Spencer Hugh PRYOR	Independent	62
Emma Jane Nicola SMITH	Scottish Greens - Think Global Act Local	263
	Total	5,729

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 11 - Rutherglen South:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Robert BROWN	Scottish Liberal Democrats	1
Margaret COWIE	Labour and Co-operative Party	2
Carol NUGENT	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	9
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	47
(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	16
	Total	73