West Lothian Council

Declaration of Results

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Contest Name

Ward 5 - East Livingston and East Calder

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 5 - East Livingston and East Calder. There are 4 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 17,970 and the number of ballot papers received was 6,708 giving a percentage turnout of 37.3%. There were 121 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,318.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Frank ANDERSON		497
Damian DORAN-TIMSON	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1,205
Neal DRUMMOND	Scottish Green Party	436
Robert Durie HOWDEN	Scottish Liberal Democrats	218
Ruth HUTCHISON	Scottish Family Party Pro-Family, Pro-Marriage, Pro-Life	87
Carl JOHN	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,741
Danny LOGUE	Scottish Labour Party	1,079
Andy RAFFERTY	Scottish Labour Party	312
Veronica SMITH	Scottish National Party (SNP)	622
Thomas George ULLATHORNE	Scottish National Party (SNP)	390
	Total	6,587

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 5 - East Livingston and East Calder:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Damian DORAN-TIMSON	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	8
Carl JOHN	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Danny LOGUE	Scottish Labour Party	5
Veronica SMITH	Scottish National Party (SNP)	8

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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	11
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	14
(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	96
	Total	121