

## Declaration of Results

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

**Contest Name** Ward 3 - Shetland West

I will now declare the result of the by-election in the Shetland West Ward.

The electorate was 1,350 and the number of ballot papers received was 493 giving a percentage turnout of 37%. There were 2 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 246.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Debra NICOLSON	Scottish Green Party	67
Zara PENNINGTON	Scottish National Party (SNP)	49
Mark ROBINSON	Independent	375
		491

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following is elected as a Councillor for Shetland West:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Mark ROBINSON	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	0
(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	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>2</b>