

Results Script for Returning Officer

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Contest Name

Ward 4 Cardonald

I now have the provisional result for the election in Ward 4 Cardonald.

Before I take you through the result stage by stage I would like to give you a quick overview what happens when a candidate achieves the quota or where no candidate does so.

At any Stage, where one or more Candidates have achieved the quota those candidates will be declared elected when the formal announcement is made. Where there are still further councillors to be elected the next stages of process will involve the transfer, one stage at a time, of the surplus votes from the successful Candidates to the other candidates based on the preferences expressed by the voters. These votes, of course, transfer at less than full value.

At any stage where no candidate has achieved the quota the next stage of the process means that the candidate with the lowest number of votes is excluded. This candidate's votes will be transferred to the remaining candidates based on the preferences expressed by the voters. All votes will transfer at full value as they have not yet been used to elect anyone.

Full details of the votes to be transferred, the transfer value of each vote and who they transferred to is given in the Transfers report that I have handed out/ will be handed out shortly and will be published on the Council's website as soon as the result has been declared.

Now, turning to the result for the Ward 4 Cardonald.

There were 5,377 valid votes cast and 97 votes had to be rejected. With 1 Councillors to be elected this means that the STV quota for the ward is 2,689 votes.

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At Stage 1 the number of first preference votes each candidate received was:

Candidate Name	First Preferences Votes
Thomas HADDOW	552
Jim KAVANAGH	2,614
Alex MITCHELL	1,972
Isabel NELSON	80
Antony SAMMEROFF	12
John G SMITH	147

At this stage no candidate has achieved the quota required to be elected. It is now necessary to exclude the candidate with the lowest number of votes. This is Antony SAMMEROFF. These votes will be transferred to the remaining candidates based on the preferences expressed by the voters. All votes will transfer at full value as they have not yet been used to elect anyone.

On this basis the votes to be transferred to the remaining candidate are:

Info from Transfer Report

Thomas HADDOW - 2 ballot papers at a total value of 2.

Jim KAVANAGH - 1 ballot papers at a total value of 1.

Isabel NELSON - 2 ballot papers at a total value of 2.

John G SMITH - 4 ballot papers at a total value of 4.

Adding these to the ongoing total for each candidate give the Stage 2 result as:

Thomas HADDOW - 554

Jim KAVANAGH - 2,615

Alex MITCHELL - 1,972

Isabel NELSON - 82

Antony SAMMEROFF - 0

John G SMITH - 151

Value of non-transferable ballot papers - 3

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At this stage no (other) candidate has achieved the quota required to be elected. It is now necessary to exclude the candidate with the lowest number of votes. This is Isabel NELSON. These votes will be transferred to the remaining candidates based on the preferences expressed by the voters. The value of votes to be transferred are made up of the full value votes for Isabel NELSON at Stage 1 and the value of any votes transferred to the candidate at subsequent stages.

On this basis the number of ballot papers and the consequent value of the votes transferring to each remaining candidate is:

Info from Transfer Report

Thomas HADDOW - 12 ballot papers at a total value of 12.

Jim KAVANAGH - 26 ballot papers at a total value of 26.

Alex MITCHELL - 9 ballot papers at a total value of 9.

John G SMITH - 10 ballot papers at a total value of 10.

Adding these to the ongoing total for each candidate give the Stage 3 result as:

Thomas HADDOW - 566

Jim KAVANAGH - 2,641

Alex MITCHELL - 1,981

Isabel NELSON - 0

Antony SAMMEROFF - 0

John G SMITH - 161

Value of non-transferable ballot papers - 25

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On this basis the number of ballot papers and the consequent value of the votes transferring to each remaining candidate is:

Info from Transfer Report

Thomas HADDOW - 8 ballot papers at a total value of 8.

Jim KAVANAGH - 42 ballot papers at a total value of 42.

Alex MITCHELL - 85 ballot papers at a total value of 85.

Adding these to the ongoing total for each candidate give the Stage 4 result as:

Thomas HADDOW - 574

Jim KAVANAGH - 2,683

Alex MITCHELL - 2,066

Isabel NELSON - 0

Antony SAMMEROFF - 0

John G SMITH - 0

Value of non-transferable ballot papers - 26

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On this basis the number of ballot papers and the consequent value of the votes transferring to each remaining candidate is:

Info from Transfer Report

Jim KAVANAGH - 253 ballot papers at a total value of 253.

Alex MITCHELL - 35 ballot papers at a total value of 35.

Adding these to the ongoing total for each candidate give the Stage 5 result as:

Thomas HADDOW - 0

Jim KAVANAGH - 2,936

Alex MITCHELL - 2,101

Isabel NELSON - 0

Antony SAMMEROFF - 0

John G SMITH - 0

Value of non-transferable ballot papers - 286

That means on the basis of the foregoing Jim KAVANAGH

will be declared elected. I have copies of the basic result information for candidates here.

Are you content that the results is accurate or would you like a few minutes to examine this yourselves?

If so, I will allow 5 minutes to review the result, here. I would ask that at this stage you do not disclose the provisional result to anyone else. I will deal with any questions or other issues after that time.