## Aberdeenshire Council

## **Declaration of Results**

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

**Contest Name** 

Ward 4 - Central Buchan

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 4 - Central Buchan. There is 1 Councillor to be elected.

The electorate was 11,408 and the number of ballot papers received was 3,076 giving a percentage turnout of 27.0%. There were 27 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,525.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
lan James BAILEY	Scottish Liberal Democrats	435
Peter CHAPMAN	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1,260
Andrew Hugh CURWEN	Reform UK	331
Phil REYNOLDS	Scottish Family Party - Putting Families First	83
Dean WARD	Independent	71
Sarah Ann Jane WILKEN	Scottish National Party (SNP)	<b>86</b> 9
	To	tal 3,049

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following is elected as Councillor for the Ward 4 - Central Buchan:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Peter CHAPMAN	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	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	6
(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	21
	Total	27