Midlothian Council

Declaration of Results

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Contest Name

Ward 1 - Penicuik

I will now declare the result of the election in the Ward 1 - Penicuik. There are 3 Councillors to be elected.

The electorate was 11,133 and the number of ballot papers received was 5,242 giving a percentage turnout of 47.1%. There were 88 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,289.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Helen Margaret ARMSTRONG	Scottish Green Party	383
George BOYD	Alba Party	46
Ken BROWN	Scottish Liberal Democrats	351
Debbi MCCALL	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,639
Willie MCEWAN	Scottish Labour Party	1,234
Connor MCMANUS	Scottish National Party (SNP)	589
Richard THOMSON	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	912
	Total	5,154

After application of the Election Rules, I declare that the following are elected as Councillors for the Ward 1 - Penicuik:

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Debbi MCCALL	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1
Willie MCEWAN	Scottish Labour Party	4
Connor MCMANUS	Scottish National Party (SNP)	7

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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	5
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	73
(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	10
	Total	88