## East Lothian Council

## **Declaration of Results**

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**Contest Name** 

Ward 5 - Haddington and Lammermuir

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

The electorate was 16,205 and the number of ballot papers received was 7,951 giving a percentage turnout of 49.1%. There were 121 rejected ballot papers. The quota of votes for a candidate to be elected was 1,567.

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Number of First Preference Votes
Shamin AKHTAR	Scottish Labour Party	1,625
David BARRETT	Independent	118
Stuart CRAWFORD	Scottish Liberal Democrats	432
Morgwn DAVIES	Alba Party for Independence	85
Graeme MACGREGOR	Scottish National Party (SNP)	944
George MCGUIRE	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1,714
John MCMILLAN	Scottish Labour Party	1,228
Jackie SWAILES	Scottish Greens - Think Global Act Local	577
Tom TROTTER	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1,107
	Total	7,830

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

Candidate Name	Affiliation	Stage at which Candidate was Elected
Shamin AKHTAR	Scottish Labour Party	1
George MCGUIRE	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1
John MCMILLAN	Scottish Labour Party	7
Tom TROTTER	Scottish National Party (SNP)	9

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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	2
(c)	On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a first preference is set opposite the name of more than one candidate	105
(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	14
	Total	121