

THE MORAY COUNCIL

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BY- ELECTION

THURSDAY 7 MARCH 2013

Electoral Ward No. 5 – Heldon and Laich

I, Mark Palmer, the Returning Officer for Electoral Ward No. 5 – Heldon and Laich hereby give notice that the TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES GIVEN for each candidate at the by-election was as follows:

Name of Candidate	Description	No. of votes given for the candidate	Excluded at end of Stage No.
Pete BLOOMFIELD	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	558	4
John COWE	Independent	1507	
Stuart CROWTHER	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1005	5
Jeff HAMILTON	Independent	175	1
James Edward MACKESSACK-LEITCH	Scottish Green Party	242	2
Nick TRAYNOR	Independent	496	3

and that John COWE has been DULY ELECTED at Stage 5 to serve as a councillor in the multi-member Ward 5 – Heldon and Laich.

The number of papers rejected and not counted by me at this by-election was as follows:-

1. Want of Official Mark	---
2. On which the figure "1" standing alone indicating a 1st preference is set opposite the name of more than 1 candidate	26
3. Writing or mark by which voter could be identified	---
4. Unmarked or void for uncertainty	12
Total Number Rejected	38

Total Electorate	10,579
Total Valid Votes Cast	3,099
Percentage Poll	29.3%

Mark Palmer, Returning Officer, @ 12 noon, on Friday 8 March 2013