

Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006

Business Improvement Districts (Scotland) Regulations 2007

On behalf of the Moray Council, as the acting returning officer, I would like to present under the Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006 & Business Improvement Districts (Scotland) Regulations 2007, the declaration of Ballot Result for the creation of a Business Improvement District in Moray Speyside Tourism

The Ballot was held by post with polls closing at 5pm on 15/01/2020

The total number of eligible business premises (total number of ballot papers) of which a person is entitled to vote in the ballot is	378
The aggregate of the rateable values of relevant properties in respect of which a person is entitled to vote in the ballot is	£ 17,611,550
The total number of votes cast in the ballot, excluding rejected ballot papers, is	141
The aggregate property rateable value in respect of which a person, excluding rejected ballot papers voted is	£ 12,185,950
The return rate (headcount) in respect of those eligible to vote is	37.91 %
The return rate (turnout) in respect of rateable values is	69.27 %

The votes cast were as follows:

YES – in favour of the Business Improvement District proposals for the areas within Moray Speyside Tourism as specified on the Ballot Paper	106
NO – not in favour of the Business Improvement District proposals for the areas within Moray Speyside Tourism as specified on the Ballot Paper	35

The rateable values of the relevant properties in respect of which these votes were cast are as follows:

Aggregate of the rateable values of the relevant properties in respect of which a person voting in the ballot has voted for the BID proposals (A)	£11,841,150
Aggregate of the rateable values of the relevant properties in respect of which a person voting in the ballot has voted against the BID proposals (B)	£344,800

There were 3 rejected papers

On the basis of these papers:

1. More than 25% of the persons entitled to vote in the ballot **have** done so;
2. The number of votes cast in favour of the BID proposals **does exceed** 50%; and it represents more than 50% of the rateable value of those who have voted.

As these conditions **have** been met I therefore declare that, on the basis of a ballot held for the purposes of section 38(1) of the Planning etc (Scotland) Act 2006, the BID proposals for the areas of Moray Speyside Tourism listed on the Ballot Paper **have** been approved.

Time of Announcement	16/01/2020 17.30pm
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