DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL

There were five options:

A Willie Bermingham

B Frank Duff

C Rosie Hackett

D Kay Mills

E Bram Stoker

51councillors voted: 39 submitted full ballots, (i.e., they cast all five preferences); 12 cast partial ballots.

The analysis shows that the outcome – the social choice – would not have been any different if an MBC had been used, as opposed to a BC. The social rankings, however, were a little different.

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| SOCIAL  RANKING | METHODOLOGY | | | |
| MBC | BC | Plurality Vote | Condorcet |
| 1ST | C | C | C | C |
| 2ND | A and D equal | D | A | D |
| 3RD |  | A | D | A |
| 4TH | E | E | E | E |
| 5TH | B | B | B | B |

The rankings suggest that maybe a plurality vote is OK. When the scores are examined, however, it is seen that a plurality ranking is very different from those of the more accurate methodologies: Borda and Condorcet. The reason is of course obvious: with Borda and Condorcet, all the preferences cast by all of those voting are taken into account; with plurality voting, consideration is given only to the first preferences cast.

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| SOCIAL  RANKING | METHODOLOGY | | | |
| MBC | BC | Plurality Vote | Condorcet |
| 1ST | C 165 | C 192 | C 27 | C 4 |
| 2ND | A/D= 156 | D 176 | A 15 | D 3 |
| 3RD |  | A 167 | D 6 | A 2 |
| 4TH | E 90 | E 92 | E 2 | E 1 |
| 5TH | B 76 | B 80 | B 1 | B 0 |