

# Perth & Kinross

## Local Agreements : 5 - 14 Environmental Studies

[Sep.1996]

---

The policy of Perth and Kinross Education Authority on 5-14 Environmental Studies was negotiated through the Joint Consultative Committee (Teachers) Sub-Group on Workload. It was approved by the J.C.C. on 23rd September 1996 and subsequently endorsed by Perth and Kinross Education Committee.

The Agreement states:

"The Education Authority and individual schools should produce a 3 year plan, in full consultation with staff, in order to carry out the work necessary to implement 5-14 Environmental Studies. Plans at education authority and school level should be reviewed and adjusted on a yearly basis taking account of resources and support available. It is recognised that at the end of the 3 year planning cycle, evaluation at education authority and school levels is likely to highlight areas of Environmental Studies which will require further development, resources and support."

Note:

This agreement must be seen within the context of E.I.S. Policy on 5-14 Content and implementation. Advice to schools was issued in March 1996. Copies of E.I.S. Advice to schools was sent at that time to all members and are available through school representatives. This Advice included the statement that:  
"There can be no set timetable for 5-14 implementation. Each stage of implementation is dependent on the clear provision of resources appropriate to that stage. This includes both human and material resources."

Members should work in schools within the terms of these policies. They should decide the scale and nature of development work possible in relation to resources and support available. Any pressure to accept developments which are contrary to these policies should be reported to the Local Association Secretary.

In light of possible reductions of support to schools as an outcome of the 1997/98 Education Budget in Perth and Kinross, the local agreement of 5-14 Environmental Studies will be reviewed.

Colin A. Mackie

Local Association Secretary  
February 1997