

Perth & Kinross

Local Agreements : Higher Still

HIGHER STILL AGREEMENT

The ending of the EIS boycott of Higher Still is based on the following agreement with COSLA and the Scottish Office:

- The E.I.S. will participate in the work of the Scottish Office **Liaison Group** to oversee Higher Still Implementation.
- The remit of the Liaison Group will be widened to cover **all aspects** of Higher Still including Funding and Bi-Level and Multi-Level Staffing
- Councils will provide **relief in the area of implementation of other ongoing programmes such as 5-14** in an attempt to free up time at school level
- the Liaison Group will draw up an **agreed** list of criteria for subjects which will set the parameters for local authorities in their planning for implementation. Such criteria will cover the basis for local decisions regarding **whether or not** a subject in any school is ready "to go" in 1999
- Councils will draw up Local Implementation Plans for Higher Still, identifying resource, development and other needs on a school by school and subject by subject basis, and these Plans will be the subject of local negotiation. Each plan **has to be approved by the local J.C.C.** In drawing up these plans and in seeking agreement in local J.C.Cs, Councils will use the agreed criteria for subject by subject readiness in regard to implementation
- the Liaison Group will receive these plans and agree them or seek clarification or modification, where appropriate

the Liaison Group will identify certain subjects(for example, English, Art and Design, Chemistry, Computing, Secretarial Studies, Accounting and Finance and Technological Studies) to be dealt with at national level, and will seek to avoid any difficulties at local or school level.

Perth & Kinross EIS will be playing a leading role through the JCC in drawing up the implementation plans. The office bearers would welcome any comments or suggestions from members. Please refer to the Contacts page for details of the Office Bearers.