



Public Libraries (Scotland) Act 1955

1955 CHAPTER 27

2 Provisions for facilitating co-operation among statutory and non-statutory library authorities

- (1) A statutory library authority shall have power to enter into arrangements with any other statutory library authority or with any non-statutory library authority with a view to the improvement of their respective library services, and, without prejudice to the foregoing generality, any such arrangements may provide for the lending by one authority to the other of any library material.
- (2) A statutory library authority may, with the consent of the Secretary of State given either generally or specially, contribute towards the expenses of any non-statutory library authority.
- (3) Where—
 - (a) a non-statutory library authority includes among its objects the provision of library services to all statutory library authorities in Scotland, and
 - (b) the Associations representing the local authorities concerned agree that a specified sum should be jointly contributed annually for a specified number of years to the said non-statutory library authority by the statutory library authorities belonging to their Associations, and that the said sum should be apportioned among the said authorities on a specified basis,then, if each of the said Associations resolves that each of the statutory library authorities belonging to that Association shall for the said number of years contribute the amount due by them in accordance with the agreement and if the Secretary of State approves of the said resolution, each of the said statutory library authorities shall contribute accordingly.
- (4) The provisions of this section shall have effect notwithstanding anything in any other enactment (including any enactment contained in a local Act).