

Response from the NI Committee of the Association for Science Education (ASE) on Shared and Integrated Education in Northern Ireland

The ASE has three main aims to promote education by:

- improving the teaching of science.
- providing an authoritative medium through which opinions of teachers of science may be expressed on educational matters.
- affording a means of communication among all persons and bodies of persons concerned with the teaching of science in particular and with education in general.

The NI Committee for the ASE are committed to promoting excellence in science education whatever the context. The ASE welcomes members from all cultural and religious backgrounds and strives to meet the professional development needs of the whole science teaching community (primary, post-primary and technicians). The committee would strongly recommend that, in the planning phase for any restructuring of education or amalgamation of schools in Northern Ireland, appropriate structures and funding should be in place to facilitate the delivery of the highest quality science education.

Kind regards,

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