

# AK Bell Library - Local and Family History

## Map Collections

The Local & Family History Department holds around 3000 maps and plans. These include Ordnance Survey maps of various dates and scale, historic county maps, road, railway and estate maps, street plans, and archaeological, geological and soil survey maps.

### County Maps

Of the several in our collection, perhaps the most useful is James Stobie's *Map of Perthshire and Clackmannan* of 1783. The scale of an inch to the mile is sufficiently detailed to show individual parish boundaries, farm names, roads etc. As a record of old place names, it is very useful to family historians.

### Ordnance Survey Maps

Our huge collection of OS Maps includes maps of various scales. The most used ones are the 25 inches to the mile series that covers most of the towns and villages of Perthshire and Kinross-shire. More modern ones include the Landranger and Pathfinder/Explorer series.

### Archaeological Maps

Dating from the 1960s at 1:10,000 scale. Sites of interest have been marked on the maps and for most sites there is a separate sheet with accompanying details.

### Street Maps

These exist for Perth city from 1715 to the present day, though the earliest map of reasonable detail is Rutherford's of 1774. Also particularly useful are Macfarlane's of 1792, which extends to the immediate hinterland, Reid's large-scale map of 1809, and Wood's of 1823. Wood also mapped Crieff, Dunkeld and Kinross around the same time.

### Other Maps

We hold geological maps for much of Perthshire and Kinross-shire. We also have in stock Soil Survey maps, Land Capability maps for focused on agriculture and forestry, rights of way maps and local authority boundary maps.