

## **PCC Sub-Committee for Signs and Plaques - History**

PCC April 1994 – Agreed to form a sub-committee which included Nick Stroud and Celia Butterworth re information plaques & signposts.

PCC Nov. 1994 – Sub-committee & PAS representative met with LEEL (Lothian and Edinburgh Enterprise, defunct) re funding, led to grant of £6000 to PCC/PAS towards six interpretation boards on the Promenade.

PCC Aug. 1998 – “as we pay the insurance costs, it was agreed the CC will assume responsibility for all the boards”.

1994 – 2013 : various PCC and PAS members joined and left Sub-committee and others co-opted or attended for their help and expertise – Cllrs Lawrence Marshall and Maureen Child, Shand Hutchison, Robert Gatliff, Richard Barclay CEC City Development.

Current Sub-committee = Celia Butterworth (PAS), John Stewart (PAS), Margaret Munro (co-opted, former History Soc. Rep. on PCC), Nick Stroud, Alison Robinson (co-opted potter who made replacement top of a Coade Stone pillar and has considerable technical expertise).

## **PCC Signs and Plaques Sub-committee – Projects**

All projects joint with Portobello Amenity Society. Projects were funded by grants to PCC and PAS, separately or jointly.

PCC responsible for and insures 10 Interpretation boards = 7 on Promenade, one in Harry Lauder garden, one in John Street Community Garden, one at Gilberstoun. Insurance and repairs are shared 50/50 with PAS.

PCC responsible for 11 building plaques, not insured.

PCC responsible for three illustrated maps at Bowling Centre, Town Hall and Joppa Pumping Station respectively, not insured, replaceable. CEC owns and is responsible for structures containing PCC maps.

Boards are cleaned and small repairs done by members of the Sub-committee.

On-going project - composition of a series of walks around Portobello by Nick Stroud, to be placed on Internet.

Projects completed in part co-operation with CEC who are responsible for items :

1. Three Coade Stone pillars in John Street Community Garden, funded largely by National Lottery grant of £49,400 to PCC/PAS with significant CEC contribution.
2. “Welcome to Portobello” road signs at Southfield Place, King’s Road end of High Street and Scott’s garage/Joppa, funded by CEC.