PADSTOW TOWN COUNCIL
COMMUNITY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE: 2 SEPTEMBER 2025

AGENDA ITEM 11: NORTH QUAY PARADE/WHITE SHELTER – UPDATE

1. Background

1.1 Committee at its last meeting requested an overview of the background of this matter to assist in moving forward. The former Leisure, Tourism and Open Spaces Committee agreed in 2023 that it wished to make improvements to North Quay Parade. It outlined at the time it would like it to be developed into a safe low maintenance and attractive space for the enjoyment of all. Furthermore, that once ideas had been progressed professional drawings/design be drawn up.

1.2 Concerning the shelters in situ, the former Committee considered it helpful to understand their history, as an initial idea is that this information could be displayed in some way in the shelters. The Town Clerk was tasked with looking into ownership matters.

1.3 Council agreed that no further rentals would be permitted from April 2027. Therefore, any works should take place after this date.

2. Clarifications

2.1 Padstow Town Council own i) land adjoining North Quay Parade (area where White Shelter is located) and ii) land at North Quay Parade. There was question as to the patio slabbed area in front of the shelters and the Town Clerk sought clarification from CC Highways. Who confirmed that "*although this isn't reflective in the Land Registry details held, I don't consider any of the slabbed area is highway, if it were a footway it would have been in tarmac and not slabbed.*" This was also referred to footpaths, with no response received to date.

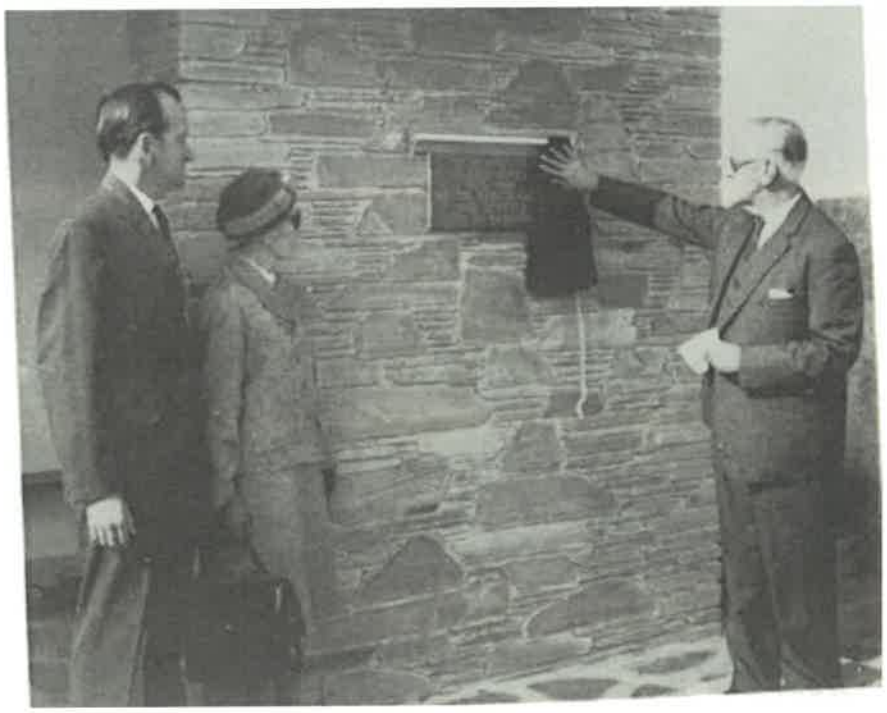
2.2 It is also unclear as with regards to the wall to the rear of the shelters, the Mount Pleasant footpath being above. The Town Clerk can confirm that as you enter Stile Field part of the bottom footpath is not in the ownership of Padstow Town Council but Cornwall Council and therefore considers that this is reflective of the whole Mount Pleasant footpath. In light of such it's considered that CC be kept informed/advised of any improvement works. The Town Clerk will continue to look into this matter.

3. Shelters

3.1 There are two shelters at North Quay namely:

a) **White Shelter** – The site in which this shelter was erected was given to the public of Padstow by the late Lord Marks.

b) Claude Berry Shelter – in memory of Claude Berry. The Town Council sought public donations in 1968. The shelter was erected and unveiled in 1972 by Dr A L Rowse in the presence of Mrs Winifred Berry and the Mayor, Councillor Gordan Dawe.



Shelter today:

4. Memorial

4.1 There is also a memorial, namely the **Stephen Fuller Memorial** – who alone compiled the Padstow Echo. Funds for the memorial were raised by public donation, as depicted below taken from the Padstow Echo Memorial Issue:

OVERLEAF: Sketch of proposed Memorial to Stephen. Up to 1st July 1970, the fund stood at £492.17s.2d.

Taken from 1969 sketch plan for memorial

Memorial today

5. Way Forward

5.1 The Town Clerk will continue to look out any historic documentation relevant to the area which could help Committee in paving their way for improvements to the area. The Town Clerk has found both 1969 and 1970 sketch proposal drawings of the area which she will table at the meeting also.

5.2 Committee may consider it a good idea initially for a surveyor to undertake a conditions survey of the whole area, including shelters/wall etc to ascertain if any structural work maybe required, before giving thought to future plans? The Town Clerk consider this an advisable starting point. Budget to come from the LTOS Contingency/projects Budget.