



# Hailsham

## TOWN COUNCIL

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### **Death of Former Hailsham Town Councillor**

29 October 2019

Hailsham Town Council is saddened to report that former Town Councillor Frank Berry has recently passed away due to ill health.

Councillor Berry was a well-respected and active member of the local community, having been elected onto the Town Council in May 2015 for a 4-year term.

Representing Hailsham Central & North ward, Councillor Berry served on various committees, including the Town Council's Finance, Policy, Resources & Staffing and Neighbourhood Planning Committees, the latter of which he remained a laymember once his term of office ended in May of this year.

He was also Vice-Chairman of the Royal British Legion Hailsham & District Branch for a number of years and, as with all town councillors, gave up his time and was always a willing volunteer to help with many tasks of benefit to the local community.

Town Mayor Councillor Paul Holbrook offered his condolences on behalf of Hailsham Town Council: "Frank was a popular and well-respected town councillor, having served the community for four years and caring passionately about Hailsham and its residents. We are all greatly upset by the news that our friend has passed away."

"I know I speak for all my colleagues at the Town Council, as well as the wider community, when I say that Frank will be sorely missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this sad time."

Town Clerk John Harrison said: "I can only add to the many wonderful messages which have already circulated about Councillor Berry - this is such a huge loss for everyone who knew him."

"As a local councillor, he worked tirelessly on behalf of the community that he was proud to represent and contributed significantly to the various Council committees on which he served during his term in office."

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