

| COUNCIL | | |
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| Report Title | Announcements or Communications | |
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| Contributors | Chief Executive | |
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Recommendation

The Council is invited to receive any announcements or communications from the Mayor or the Chief Executive.

Former Councillor Barrie Anderson RIP

The death has been reported of former Councillor Barrie Anderson at the age of 74. Barrie Anderson was Chair of the Council from 2006 to 2010 and had previously served as Leader of the Conservative Group and as a Cabinet member.

He was a Councillor from 1998 until 2010 and represented the Grove Park ward where he lived.

He was a key figure in the Grove Park local community, at the Ringway Centre and the Lewisham Environment Trust. He was also a celebrated author, with one of his novels "Not the Day Job" set in the mythical London Borough of Merbourne bearing an uncanny resemblance to events and personalities in Lewisham during his time on the Council.

Former Councillor Ron Pepper RIP

The death has been reported of former Councillor Ron Pepper

He was first elected to the old Metropolitan Council of Lewisham in 1962 and remained until 1968, when the Conservatives held power for three years before he was elected again in 1971 and was subsequently re-elected at each local election until he stood down in 1990.

For many of these years he was Deputy Leader to Council Leader, Andy Hawkins, and was also Chair of the Housing Committee for a long period of time, and in the late 1980's he chaired the Council's new Education Committee to smooth the transition of the Education responsibility from ILEA to London boroughs.

He served as ward Councillor for Lewisham Park, which then became Hither Green ward and is now known as Lewisham Central.

Following his departure from Lewisham he moved to Canterbury and became a Councillor on the City Council serving as leader of the Labour group and deputy leader of the Council.

His humanist funeral will take place on Tuesday 23 February at 2.40p.m. at Barham Crematorium, Canterbury Road, Barham, Kent CT4 6QU.