

David Hirst, Former Vice Chair

It is with great sadness that I have to inform you of the death of David from brain tumour on Thursday.

He was a wonderful man.

David was an engineer by profession, as are his wife Alison and daughter Eleanor. He invented a clever device/system for using spare electrical capacity in domestic fridges to support the national grid, but was tricked by a big company and never saw his idea come to fruition.

He was a member of the Green Party and represented the Party as an observer on the Steering Group of the Coalition for Economic Justice. He and Alison were environmentalists and gave a great deal to their local community.

They made members of the Labour Land Campaign welcome guests at their home in Brighton many times. We have good memories of a get-together with David, Alison, Dave and Heather Wetzel, Anthony and myself at a pub after the Tolpuddle Festival in 2018.

I first met him at a Fabian conference many years ago and he joined the Campaign right away.

Dave and Heather visited him at home in Brighton during his last few weeks.

He will be very much missed. Our hearts go out to Alison and Eleanor.

Carol Wilcox Secretary