



**Extraordinary Trustee Meeting Minutes  
Monday 15th September 2025 - 7pm at THE VILLAGE HALL.  
To discuss Coffee Morning 4th October 2025**

1. Present . Helen, Marc, Malcolm, Mick, Linda, Sue, Brian, Wendy.  
Apologies. Sheila, Kath, Sylvia, Fay

2. Brian lead the meeting, and Summarised the reasons for calling the meeting and the discussion/chat that took place on WhatsApp.

The Social and fund raising group met on 27th August and agreed a programme of events to be held until the end of December.

Minutes of this meeting were circulated to all Trustees on 30th August, and the main web diary updated on 28th August . An article and event list was submitted to the Village magazine on 31st August.

On 1st September Helen reported that she had been approached by Tony Goodwin (magazine) indicating that our coffee morning would impact on the Magazine coffee morning to be held on 8th November. He suggested keeping a 2 month gap between these type of events in the future and asked that we be mindful of the situation in future planning.

On Sunday 14th September Fay reported that she had been approached by Tony who stated that he and the gardening club were severely disappointed with us and he was very upset. Giving reasons why he thought we had stabbed him and the gardening club in the back.

Sue checked with George ( Gardening Club) and he confirmed as far as the Gardening club is concerned no one has mentioned anything to him. He said it was a great idea and to go ahead.

3 Helen- explained in detail the contact/approaches she had had from Tony and the matters he had raised. Tony suggested changing its name from coffee Morning, or moving the date, he was not concerned about the Bacon Butties event on 25th October even though it is only 2 weeks before the Magazine Coffee morning.

4. Trustees - each Trustee stated there feelings on the matter.

The general feeling was amazement and sadness that this was being raised by Tony.

The 5 week gap between the events was adequate.

To change the name would not change the event.

It was generally felt that Helen and Fay were being targeted with the complaint in an unfair and intimidating manner.

Generally Trustees felt we should not give in to these sort of pressures.

Concerns were raised about negative comments being spread about the Village Hall and Trust.

Tony was invited to the meeting but was away, he was also asked to put something in writing which he declined.

5. Vote

A discussion was held on the way forward.

Brian proposed that the Coffee Morning should proceed as planned and that the Trust should make an annual donation of £100 to the Magazine [to cover our inclusion of event advertising and articles] this was seconded by Wendy.

The vote of those present was 6 in agreement with the proposal and 2 against. - it was felt that as this was a serious issue other Trustees not present should have an Email vote based on the information and proposal in these minutes. Proposed by Marc Seconded by Wendy. All voted in agreement.

Wendy raised the issue that a decision has to be made urgently so as not to cause financial loss to stall holders already booked for our coffee morning.

6. Liaison with Magazine

It was discussed and felt that Tony would need to be informed of our decision on his return and this should be done in person by Brian.

The meeting closed at 8pm.

**Email - vote**

All

Having now closed the vote on the proposal as set out in last nights meeting minutes the Trustees voted as follows :-

Those for - 8

Those against - 3

With one none vote.

The proposal was therefore approved by the Trustees and the Coffee Morning will proceed on the 4th October as planned and a £100 donation will be made to the Magazine annually.

Brian

Trust Secretary.