

Coeliac UK Belfast Local Group

**2026 AGM Meeting held at The Errigle Inn
12 May, 2026 at 18.30**

Attendees	43 people attended for Fish and Chips after the AGM part of the meeting. Committee members attending: Barry McKinney, John Stannard, Fedelmia Regan, Sinead Dynan, Brian Pike, Valerie Meadows, Ann Nummy, Cara Madine, Kathryn Edgar	Action
Apologies	Betty Fitzsimons, Janet Boylan, Aimee McNeilly	
Minutes	The 2026 CUKBLG AGM meeting was held in the Errigle Inn, Ormeau Road Belfast. The meeting began at 18.30 with the AGM after which others attended for the traditional fish and chip supper followed by the annual quiz and raffle	
	BMcK welcomed all present and presented the Agenda for the evening: 1. AGM 2. Supper 3. Quiz and Raffle 4. Thank You 5.AOB	
	BMcK presented his report via PPT and the AGM proceeded as follows: The 2025 CUKAGM Minutes were presented as hard copy on each table at the event. The were proposed by Margaret Pike and seconded by Sinead Dynan The role of each outgoing committee was outlined by BMcK and accompanied by photograph and by standing up. We were easily identified in our orange CUK T shirts. BMcK added that we were pleased to recently welcome to new members to our committee – Cara Madine (taking on a social media role) and Aimee McNeilly(training as a dietitian) – but Christine McColgan had left the committee. BMcK mentioned that we had 1.2k followers on FaceBook. He also highlighted our GF fine dining events at The Academy Restaurant at the University of Ulster hospitality training restaurant. May is CUK Awareness Month and Tristan Humphreys and Fiona from CUK will be in attendance at a MLA Awareness raising event at Stormont buildings on 18 May to which CUK members are invited to attend. A suggested letter to be sent to our local MLA inviting her/him to attend was shown. CUKBLG has monthly Coffee Mornings, originally held on a Wednesday but from July to be changed to Thursday. The next Coffee Morning to be on 20 May at 10.30 at Nica Nica	

	The Treasurer's report, previously drawn up by FR, was shown via PPT and presented by BMcK. It was proposed by Valerie Meadows and seconded by John Stannard	
	The election of the 2026-27 CUKBLG followed. All offices were declared vacant. There were no new members wishing to be included. Group Leader: Barry McKinney - prop Brian Pike, sec Fedelmia Regan Secretary: John Stannard - prop Brian Pike, sec Ann Nummy Treasurer: Fedelmia Regan – prop Sinead Dynan, sec John Stannard Committee members: Sinead Dynan, Brian Pike, Valerie Meadows, Ann Nummy, Betty Fitzsimons, Kathryn Edgar, Janet Boylan, Cara Madine, Aimee McNeilly were proposed as a group by Jim Edgar and seconded by Margaret Pike BMcK gave a thoughtful tribute to Davy Stewart who had been a valued member of our Committee until his death on 11 Nov 2025.	
	BMcK thanked all those who had donated prizes: Apothecary Gift Set, Bombay Sapphire Gin, Bushmills Irish Whiskey, Co-op £20 voucher, Colby Street Pizza £40 voucher, Dunnes £50 voucher, Four Winds Pharmacy Fenjal set, Four Winds Pharmacy Whiskey glasses, Indie Fude Hamper, Juvela White Mix, Lambs Navy Rum, Mace £40 voucher, Michel Fruit Hamper, Bottle of Prosecco and Prosecco Diffuser set, two Bottles Red Wine, Waterman £65 voucher, Bottle White Wine, x2 Juvela Lasagne Sheets, x2 Becky Excell Books, X2 Mash Direct Hampers Diary Dates – Monthly Coffee Mornings at 10.30 Wed May 20 – Nica Nica Sat June 20 – The Mac Thurs July 23 – The Ivanhoe Thurs Aug 20 – Malone House Sat Sept 19 – Nica Nica BMcK went on to give information regarding CUK, in particular App issues, the new website and problems some members have not receiving emails Key findings of the Access and Availability Volunteering project The Coeliac UK Impact Report Useful websites for Coeliacs Interesting facts about Coeliac links with Downs Syndrome, Diabetes 1, and Doctors, knowledge of CD	
	Quiz and Raffle Tickets sold at £5 per strip; three strips for £10 Quizmaster: Paul Brady (Three's a Crowd Entertainment) Heads and Tails was played twice with the same lady winning both times Winners were Dougies Goodies Second place were Gluten Free Gluttons The Special prize presented by the Committee was won by those with the lowest score	
	As always, it was a very enjoyable event with visitors thanking Committee members for organising it.	

