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Episode 1.1

Banbury Intricate Craft Circle member Margaret returns to the sleepy town from London, bringing news of a new political movement fighting for women to gain the vote...

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In-Depth Episode Synopsis

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It's Banbury Church Hall, 1910 and Margaret, Helen, Myrtle, Gwen, Eva, Emily - otherwise known as the 'Banbury Intricate Craft Circle' - arrive for their regular meeting.

Margaret has just returned from a trip to London, where she discovered the Women's Suffrage Movement. Inspired by what she has seen, she wants the ladies of Banbury Intricate Craft Circle to support the cause and suggests they begin a suffrage league of their own. Margaret's enthusiasm is contagious and it's not long before Banbury has its own band of hilariously ineffectual suffragettes, and the group is rebranded 'Banbury Intricate Craft Circle Politely Request Women's Suffrage'.

The change is not met without opposition, which comes from Helen who, exasperated by caretaker Frank's efforts to bring electricity to the church hall, has little interest in women's rights and even less interest in any good ideas she isn't in charge of. In a rebellious coup, she establishes an anti-suffrage league, poaches Margaret's recruits by bribing them with cake, and takes up headquarters in the kitchen.

Will Margaret convince the women to fight for their rights or will Helen persuade them that votes for women, and electricity, are utterly unnecessary?

First Broadcast Details

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Date: Thu 30th May 2013

Episode 1.1 Picture



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