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The following are the minutes of the Annual Parish Open Meeting held on Monday 8th May 2017 in Bouth Village Hall at 7pm.

Members Present: Cllr Barr, Cllr Dean, Cllr Hoyle, Cllr Milburn, Cllr Watson, Cllr Oates & K.Birch (Clerk)

Also present: 5 members of the public, including David Hamer (Chairman Bouth Village Green & playground advisory committee), Robert Jarratt (Rural Crime Initiative) & Alan Vial (Owen Bayliss a CCTV company)

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Champion (holiday) & PCSO Paul Harris (attending another meeting)

2. Minutes of 2016 Open Meeting

The minutes of the 2016 Annual Parish Open Meeting were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

3. Chairman's Report for 2016-17

The Chairman read his Annual Report; a copy had been made available on the website.

4. Open Forum

Mr Roderick Smith expressed his thanks to the Colton Parish Chairman, Cllr Barr and the retired previous Clerk Mandy Lane for all their help and support on behalf of the community.

5. Dates for This Year's Meetings

The meeting dates for the coming year had been distributed:

Date	Meeting	Venue
8 th May 17	Parish Open Meeting & Annual Parish Council 2017	Bouth Village Hall
5 th June 17	Parish Council	Colton Church Hall
17 th July 17	Parish Council	Rusland Reading Room
11 th Sept 17	Parish Council	Finsthwaite Village Hall
16 th Oct 17	Parish Council	Bouth Village Hall
4 th Dec 17	Parish Council	Rusland Reading Room
15 th Jan 18	Parish Council	Bouth Village Hall
19 th Feb 18	Parish Council	Finsthwaite Village Hall
26 th Mar 18	Parish Council	Rusland Reading Room