



Colton Parish Council

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The following are the minutes of the Annual Parish Open Meeting held on 28th March 2011 in Rusland Reading Rooms at 7.30pm.

Members Present Cllr Barr (Chairman) Cllr Champion Cllr Dean Cllr Fishwick Cllr Hoyle
Cllr Potts Cllr Robinson Cllr Watson Ms M Lane (Clerk)

Also present: Cllr Wilson (CCC) Cllr Davies (SLDC) PC Parkin

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Cunliffe (working)

2. **Minutes of 2010 Open Meeting**

The minutes of the 2010 Annual Parish Open Meeting were signed by the chairman as a true record.

3. **Chairman's Report for 2010-2011**

The chairman read the Annual Report (a copy attached to these minutes). The financial summary was correct up to this date; a full statement of accounts would be printed in the Annual Report to be published after the audit.

4. **Open Forum**

- Policing: PC Neil Parkin reported that there had been no crime reports in Colton over the past month. The anti-poaching campaign had meant that incidents had substantially decreased. There was to be an open meeting in Ulverston on Wednesday 30th March on policing priorities. Illegal off-roading was a growing issue and was likely to be the priority in this policing area over the summer months; PC Parkin asked whether the Council would be in favour. The Chairman asked for a vote: 8 of the 10 Councillors present voted in favour, with 2 abstentions.

Crime reports in neighbouring parishes had included:

- i) Fuel thefts from farm diesel tanks, household oil tanks and car petrol tanks - these were on the increase. PC Parkin would arrange for the Clerk to be contacted about devices and deterrents.

PC Parkin

- ii) Staveley-in-Cartmel village hall break-in. The Clerk would warn Village Hall committees.

Clerk

5. **Dates for Next Year's Meetings**

The dates for the coming year were distributed (a copy attached to these minutes).

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MEETINGS 2011-2012

Date	Meeting	Venue
Mon 9 th May 11	Annual Parish Council 2011	Bouth Village Hall
Mon 13 th June 11	Parish Council	Colton Church Hall
Mon 25 th July 11	Parish Council	Rusland Reading Room
Mon 12 th Sept 11	Parish Council	Finsthwaite Village Hall
Mon 24 th Oct 11	Parish Council	Bouth Village Hall
Mon 5 th Dec 11	Parish Council	Rusland Reading Room
Mon 16 th Jan 12	Parish Council	Bouth Village Hall
Mon 20 th Feb 12	Parish Council	Finsthwaite Village Hall
Mon 26 th Mar 12	Parish Open Meeting and Parish Council	Rusland Reading Room

- All meetings start at 7.30 p.m.
- Public and press are welcome.
- The Chairman will be available from 7.00 for a 'surgery session'.
- Agendas and minutes are available from the website or from the Clerk (see below).
- Notices and agendas will be placed on notice boards by 3 clear days before each meeting.
- Location maps for venues are available on the website or from the Clerk.
- The Council has no committees or sub-committees

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