Update for 11 February 2015 Melksham Area Board

Update From: Steeple Ashton Parish Council

Date of Area Board Meeting: 11th February 2015

Headlines/Key Issues:

- As at 28th January, only the bulk bag of sand has been delivered for the PEAS scheme. When the bag needed to be moved the other day, the bottom fell out of it, so maybe if the scheme is repeated next year, better quality bags could be used?
- The annual gully tanker visit to Steeple Ashton happened over the Christmas period. It seems a hit and miss affair as to which drains are being cleaned. I understand that no map of the drains is being used, with just eyesight being used to hunt them out. For villages where the Parish Council/ Flood Prevention Teams have plotted the drains, would it be possible for Balfour Beatty to use this information? It seems common sense, especially if they are contracted to clean each gully once a year.

Projects:

• Flood Prevention: Steeple Ashton Parish Council is very grateful to the Keevil Flood Prevention Team who took time to come and talk to us about how they attempt to prevent flooding in their village. Whilst separate from Keevil Parish Council, the flood team do work with the Parish Council; an arrangement which seems to work well.

Signed: Lynda Beaven, Parish Clerk

Dated: 28th January 2015