

there were a couple of children in the Parish attended Beeford School. The clerk said that we had agreed and sent a donation to Driffeld Senior School for the Twilight Bus and the councillors at the last meeting felt we need to make a donation to cover all children in the Parish, and a donation towards much needed books and learning materials would benefit the two primary schools that the children in the Parish attend. The clerk agreed to contact Beeford School and then at the next meeting a confirmation of the donation amount would be decided. It was also suggested the clerk would contact the clerks at North Frodingham, Beeford and Kelk Parish Councils and see if they could match fund. It was suggested each school gets £100 per school, towards books and materials.

- d) Gembling Solar Farm Proposal – it was discussed that it would be a good idea to invite Gulya Isyanova, Head of Development at TEKSS Ltd to attend the March meeting and do a presentation to the councillors on the proposal at this stage. It would be open to the public however this would form part of the FPC meeting and therefore a timeslot of 20 minutes would be put on the Q&A session at the end of the presentation to then allow time for the FPM meeting that month. Mr Hardy-Hodgson suggested a flyer going round to inform residents of the presentation, the clerk will contact the Foston Folk-Us regarding the date and presentation, and then some notices / posters will be placed on the notice boards to inform local parishioners of the presentation. It was agreed that as the proposal is in the initial discussions it would not be pressing to do the presentation too soon, whilst all the background work is taking place. The councillors agreed March would be a good idea. Mr Hardy-Hodgson said he would get the poster/flyer together and get this out asap. The clerk will contact Gulya to confirm her attendance.

- e) Hill in Foston – Mr Ian Gilliatt identified that the drain down the hill in the village is still causing problems, presumably from a blocked drain, and it runs down and stands outside a house a little further down the village. It was discussed that this should be reported to Highways, as this has been an ongoing problem for many years. Cllr Evison asked to be copied into the email that is sent to Highways. The councillors felt this is now a problem area that needs assessing. Mr Hardy-Hodgson also said the bridge as you enter the village the top of the bridge has been knocked off again. Mrs Vulliamy also said there was several bad potholes in the village of Brigham, and one is particularly deep and needs some attention from Highways as well.

Public Forum

Three members of the public attended the Public Forum. One person wanted to know what works had been completed on footpaths in Foston as a result of the last Parish Walkabout. He also suggested that the Parish Council may want to consider increasing the precept in order to pay for repairs ourselves. It was agreed that this was to be included as a future agenda item. Two members of the public attended to discuss agenda item 5b) and specifically the damage caused by the contractor whilst undertaking the work. They suggested that it would have been useful if contact had been made with them prior to the work being undertaken so that mistakes could have been avoided. It was agreed that in future the Parish Council may want to take up that offer. They also wanted to raise several items that were not on the agenda. After some discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council would consider a Complaints Procedure as a future agenda item. Unfortunately, some heated discussions took place during the Public Forum and as a result little else was achieved.

Following the public forum Cllr Gilliatt resigned his position as councillor with immediate effect. All the councillors and the clerk felt this was a great shame and a loss to the FPC, but understood Cllr Gilliatt's decision and wished him well.

Cllr Evison then suggested that a time limit should be put on the open forum and perhaps anyone attending the meeting should give prior notice to the councillors by email or in writing if they are