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<u>Water and Sewerage</u>	
Should include a section on new water and sewerage infrastructure requirements. Developers required to demonstrate there is adequate capacity, may be required to carry out or fund studies. Where capacity problem and no improvements programmed by utility company, developer required to fund improvements (5)	Water and sewerage capacity is a strategic issue ,which would need to be assessed before any granting of planning permission, but is not normally an issue on which to seek developer contributions. The provision of infrastructure in this case is the responsibility of the utility company.
Sewerage systems within urban area and rural settlements are operating very close to capacity. Impact studies likely to be required in order to determine the magnitude of spare capacity and suitable connection point. Developer will be required to fund such studies. (5)	See above
On brownfield sites may be existing sewers or rising mains crossing site- developer to pay for any diversions (5)	See above
On brownfield sites developer would be required to pay for any water mains diversions and new off-site infrastructure. (5)	See above
<u>Burial Space</u>	
Suggestion that topic paper added to cover purchase of additional burial space on basis of increased need from higher population (2)	The Council has given careful consideration to this matter. It has concluded that seeking contributions towards burial space would be contrary to Government guidance as the link between the development and the need is insufficient. The requirement for additional burial space arises from the community as a whole. The needs arising from new development would be limited and marginal in comparison with this. Therefore, a separate paper to cover this matter is not appropriate. However, this matter could be considered as part of the review of the Local Plan. Should additional large sites be required to meet housing allocations it may be appropriate for the need for additional burial space to be identified. It is conceivable that an area of land

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	could be provided for burial space as part of a package of contributions arising from the development of a large site, subject to the suitability of the land for the use proposed. West Berkshire Council is willing to discuss this matter further with Newbury Town Council (and others with responsibilities for the provision of burial space).