

17 APPENDIX 1 - contestable and non-contestable items for the provision of water services infrastructure for new development

WATER SUPPLY

Contestable items comprise all elements of infrastructure for the provision of water supply infrastructure for new development with the exception of the following:

Design
Designing water distribution systems outside of the development area
Sizing pipes – water companies retain responsibility for this part of the design work
Design approval
Approving on-site water distribution systems designs (except where self-certification arrangements are in place). On-site being defined as the area within the development site and under the control of the Developer.
Installation
Network Reinforcement works (i.e. to secure an adequate supply to the site) whose construction heightens the risk of damage to existing water distribution systems or interrupting supplies to existing customers. (See note below). It is expected that all Network Reinforcement work will normally be undertaken by a water company under the proposed new charging arrangements except where the water company requests a Developer to oversize the assets they are providing to allow for other development.
Mains connections that involve heightened risk to existing assets or which could affect supplies to existing customers. (See note below).
Source of water connections to water companies' existing assets.
Service connections larger than 63mm diameter.
Service connections less than 63mm on existing mains where the water company assess that the condition of the main or the material heightens the risks to existing assets or could affect supplies to existing customers. (See note below).
Commissioning
Decommissioning redundant mains following a diversion.

Note – Restrictions on SLPs undertaking work apply when the water company assesses that the construction works significantly heighten either the risk of damage being caused to their existing assets or the works interrupting the supplies to existing customers. The thresholds for this assessment will be set in accordance with the water company's policies for all work on their water distribution systems and maybe subject to accreditation requirements and controls specified in the terms offer.

SEWERAGE

Contestable items comprise all elements of infrastructure for the provision of sewerage for new development with the exception of the following:

Design approval
Approving 'Site Specific' sewerage works where the Developer proposes to offer the works to the water company for adoption.
Installation
Network Reinforcement works to provide capacity for the development whose construction may heighten the risk of damage to the existing sewerage network or compromise public health and/or the environment. It is expected that all Network Reinforcement work will normally be undertaken by a water company under the proposed new charging arrangements except where the water company requests a Developer to oversize the assets they are providing to allow for other development.
Connections to the public sewer network that may heighten the risk of damage to existing assets or compromise public health and/or the environment.
Upgrading of sewage treatment and disposal facilities to serve new development except where the development proposes to install its own facilities and not drain to the public sewerage network.
Commissioning
Decommissioning redundant sewerage following a diversion.