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#### OPEN SPACES - RECREATION AREAS

That no further developments should take place in the Blessington Local Area till there is an agreement in place to provide open spaces for the building of playing fields and a athletic running track.

#### GRAVEYARD

That the zoned site at Burgage for the Graveyard extention remain in place except in the case of a agreed alternative site for same.

#### HOTEL

That a site be zoned within this LAP for the provision of a Hotel.  
Blessington is a growing town, and with the plans in place for a Greenway and a huge projected number of visitors to the area we must provide the infrastructure and accommodation. At present we have just one B&B.  
Suggested sites.. 32 Acre Council Site at Burgage or 7 acre site at the rear of Ventac. Both with panoramic views of the lakes.

#### WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

That there should be an immediate review with regards upgrading the Waste Water Treatment Plant for the town.

Cllr.Gerry O'Neill

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