

14th November 2007

Dear Ms. Le Quesne

I read that a Scrutiny Panel was reviewing Air Quality and has requested submissions from the public.

I telephoned on Tuesday, 13th November and was advised to write to you regarding my opinions.

My wife and I live in Grouville and for many years have been regularly bothered by smoke from bonfires polluting the air in the garden and entering the house. Smoke does not just ascend vertically and is usually blown in any direction according to the wind.

We obviously have windows open, especially in Spring, Summer and Autumn and, on average two or three times a week, suddenly smell smoke then have to rush around closing windows and bringing washing in. However, by that time we have actually breathed in the fumes. I assume this could be harmful to our health. We should not have to suffer this hazard.

The source of the smoke appears to be mainly farms, hotels etc. plus some domestic premises. Any waste that we cannot make into compost is disposed of at the La Collette facility or Bellozanne, not burnt. Surely the law should prohibit bonfires in any location, especially now with the large increase in population and housing. No area is isolated enough for burning not to result in a nuisance and health hazard.

All waste should be sent to La Collette or Bellozanne.

I would be grateful if the appropriate Scrutiny Panel could take these views into consideration .

Many thanks

Yours sincerely



Mr. R.J. Le Seilleur