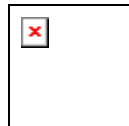


CUPRESSUS LEYLANDII TREES

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PROPOSITION

THE STATES are asked to decide whether they are of opinion -

- (1) to agree, in principle, that, if it appears to the Planning and Environment Committee that the amenities of any land are being seriously injured by the presence of any *Cupressus Leylandii* tree on any neighbouring land, the Committee should be empowered to serve a notice on the owner or occupier of the land requiring him to take such steps for abating the injury as may be specified in the notice;
- (2) to agree, in principle, that the definition of “development” in the Island Planning (Jersey) Law 1964, as amended, be extended to include the planting of any *Cupressus Leylandii* tree within 100 feet of neighbouring properties and to require the Planning and Environment Committee to take into account the views of any person likely to be affected by the planting of the said trees before granting permission;
- (3) to charge the Planning and Environment Committee to prepare the necessary legislation to give effect to the proposals for approval by the States.

DEPUTY T.J. LE MAIN OF ST. HELIER

Report

The reason for bringing forward this proposition is so that the Planning and Environment Committee can insist on the control, planting and siting of Cupressus Leylandii trees. The tree is a non-indigenous tree to Jersey which has been used as an aggravated nuisance by neighbours. It causes nuisance and mischief to aggrieved neighbours who often lose their views and sunlight etc.

On behalf of many residents affected by this nuisance I am seeking to see measures introduced to give the Planning and Environment Committee the power under the Planning law to set guidelines to ensure that Cupressus Leylandii trees cannot be planted within 100 feet of any neighbouring property, and also the power under the law to insist that the owner of any such trees lop or fell any of these trees that are causing a nuisance.