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For Scrutiny Panel

I would be sorry to see a new supermarket chain being welcomed to Jersey. We are well served by the Co-op and other stores. Ideally, people should support the markets and growing number of farm shops to help maintain and develop Jersey's unique character. We could so easily lose our identity and quality of life and become a 'clone' of UK towns which surely wouldn't appeal to tourists.

Hopefully mass-produced, low-cost food won't be the most important element in this decision-making process. It would be disheartening for local producers and the dwindling number of farmers to see their high quality products largely ignored by inter/national food chains and consumers. (I have no connections with farmers but appreciate good quality, local food which is ethically produced.)

Would it be impossible for the finance industry to subsidise those with lower incomes?

Thank you for inviting comments.

Yours faithfully

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