SUBMISSION FROM ALASDAIR MOODIE

1. I've been waiting for this Bill for many many years and look forward to the Act to come. Our neighbours hedge mainly Laylandii has also got weed trees that have grown up with the hedge and are now so large they dump their cones and winged seeds into my garden. So I have looked at the draft Bill and hope you can consider the following:-

Comments

Definition of Hedge
2. ADD (1) (d) This Act also applies to individual pine trees and sycamore holly and other weed trees that have been allowed to grow unattended in and with the hedge; that have become so high or mature that the annual heavy fall of pine cones and other aerial seeds and leaves causes considerable debris and nuisance requiring much time consuming manual work often by elderly home owners to prevent damage to gardens and machinery.

Fee for Application
3. Where there are several applicants pursuing the same owner and occupier of the neighbouring land the local authority will apportion the fee between the applicants. Alternatively a group application with one fee would be acceptable. (It seems inequitable to demand 6 fees from six neighbours pursuing the same owner of the hedge)

Interpretations
4. (1)
   “domestic property”
   ADD (c) a business premises occupying a building that formerly was “domestic property” defined in (1) (a) (b) above