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To: Nature Conservation

Subject: Hi

Attached is my submission on the burning/cutting controls.

Ref: Burning/Cutting Controls .

1. Should be no need to alter the closed period for hedge cutting.
2. Should be no need to change current dates in relation to burning vegetation.
3. Status quo should apply to above even though we would have miles of hedges. We believe that in the interest of wildlife and biodiversity, there should not be any reduction in the closed period.
4. We believe that what should be done is twice yearly, may & July, all roadside verges to be cut in the interest of road safety.

This is extremely important for mothers or parents of children, particularly in prams, walking along the road, as dirt, particularly hogweed, which can be up to 5' high, thereby restricting visibility of the motorist in relation to the person walking along the road. As more and more people are walking along the road, unless visibility to motorists is improved, there is a tragedy in the making.