



# Mickfield Hostas

Hosta Specialists and National Collection holders

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Stuart Agnew MEP  
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Dear Mr Agnew

**Reference: Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the production and making available on the market of plant reproductive material (plant reproductive material law)/\*COM/2013/0262 final – 2013/0137 (COD)\* /**

As a small family nursery, holding a Plant Heritage National Collection of the genus hosta, we wish to express our concern at the wider implications of this proposed legislation.

You will find enclosed a copy of a letter sent by Sue Beesley of Bluebell Cottage Gardens and Nursery, Cheshire to her MEP Chris Davies, on the subject. She has authorised the Horticultural Exhibitors Association, of which we are members, to use it to promote our cause. Her letter says everything we wish to raise, far more eloquently than we could express.

I am also enclosing a copy of the letter forwarded to the relevant body by Plant Heritage, on the subject.

We fail to see what the objectives of this legislation are. What purpose is it supposed to serve? Why attempt to fix something that isn't broken?

Yours sincerely

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