

## Amenity Forum Information

### **From Professor John Moverley, Independent Chairman**

Throughout the protracted and, in many ways, unprecedented re-approval process for glyphosate, the Amenity Forum has been closely involved and always sought to emphasise to all concerned that any conclusions should be based upon the science and evidence. Recently we wrote to say that there were further delays which were impacting on all aspects of our very important and essential sector and certainly important decision making. We made this clear to those concerned and continued to press the decision makers on all the issues.

Given the speed of social media, you are likely aware that **late yesterday, just two days before the licence was due to expire, the Health and Food Commissioner confirmed an 18 month extension**. This is certainly shorter than we would wish but it is as such a re-approval and legal obligations are met. There will be further detail emerging over the next two days we are sure about any conditions on this extension.

We will continue to monitor matters as the voluntary initiative for the amenity sector on all aspects of weed, pest and disease control.

*Get updated on this and more at the Amenity Forum Conference, Burton On Trent, October 13th.*

*Full details are on our website: [www.amenityforum.co.uk](http://www.amenityforum.co.uk)*