

**Priority question for written answer P-001376/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Proposal to expand green space in Seville's historic centre by the Pulmón Verde association

The Pulmón Verde ('Green Lung') association, with the backing of fifty other collectives and groups, is demanding that the site located between Calle Arrayán and Calle Divina Pastora be transformed into a new green space in the centre of Seville. This demand is at odds with Seville City Council's intention to put the space up for sale without a clearly defined project addressing the stated demand.

Creating more green spaces is key to protecting people's health against the effects of climate change, as they help to reduce heat – which is linked to increased summer mortality – and to mitigate respiratory diseases. A study carried out by the Barcelona Institute for Global Health estimates that 74 % of Seville's residents live in areas with a lower density of vegetation than recommended by the World Health Organisation (WHO).

Bearing in mind that Articles 8 and 13 of the EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030 establish the goal of planting at least 3 billion additional trees by 2030:

In the Commission's view, should Seville City Council join this common cause, which would decrease ambient temperatures and benefit people's health and wellbeing, particularly for those living in urban areas?

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