

Tree bylaw deferred

Halton's much-anticipated new tree bylaw won't be brought forward for regional council consideration today (Wednesday) as previously planned.

Staff reported to the planning and public works committee last week that it's now waiting for further information from the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Town of Oakville on the bylaw.

The delay results from discussions Region staff had with the Town and ministry during the summer months to finalize the bylaw and its related report recommendations. Staff from Halton's other municipalities was also consulted, along with Halton's agricultural advisory committee and ecological and environmental advisory committee. In addition, a regional councillors' workshop was held.

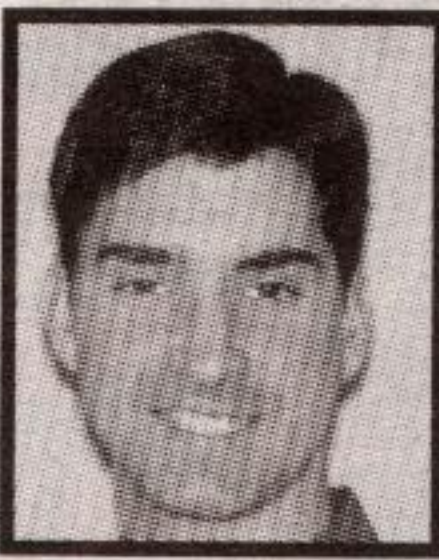
The committee supported deferring the bylaw to its next meeting September 28. It will then go before regional council October 5.

The bylaw is designed to prevent clear cutting or abject destruction of woodlands and to protect this resource. It will apply to all woodlands that are 0.5 hectares or larger and surrounding greenlands, subject to local municipalities delegating their authority to regulate woodlands between 0.5 and one hectare and the greenlands.

Copies of the final staff report on the bylaw will be available to the public by September 19 at the Regional offices, Halton Resident Reference Library and at www.region.halton.on.ca.

Green Cart info night scheduled

Halton Region will be hosting an Open House for Georgetown residents participating in the GreenCart demonstration program on Tuesday, Sept. 20, 5-8:30 p.m., at Georgetown Salvation Army Community Church, 271 Mountainview Rd. S. It will provide Halton residents an opportunity to see the GreenCart program in action and to have their questions answered by Regional staff. Residents with any questions about the GreenCart demonstration program can also call Halton Region toll free at 1-866-4HALTON or check out the website at www.region.halton.on.ca.



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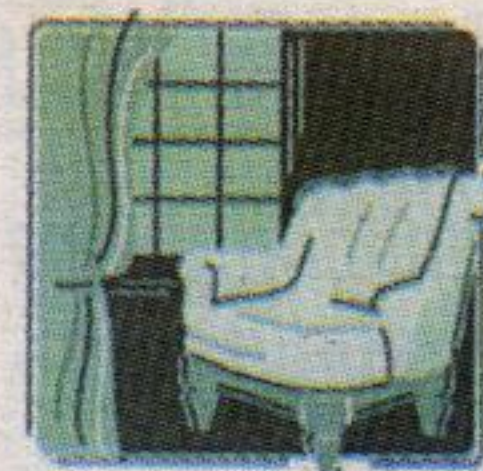


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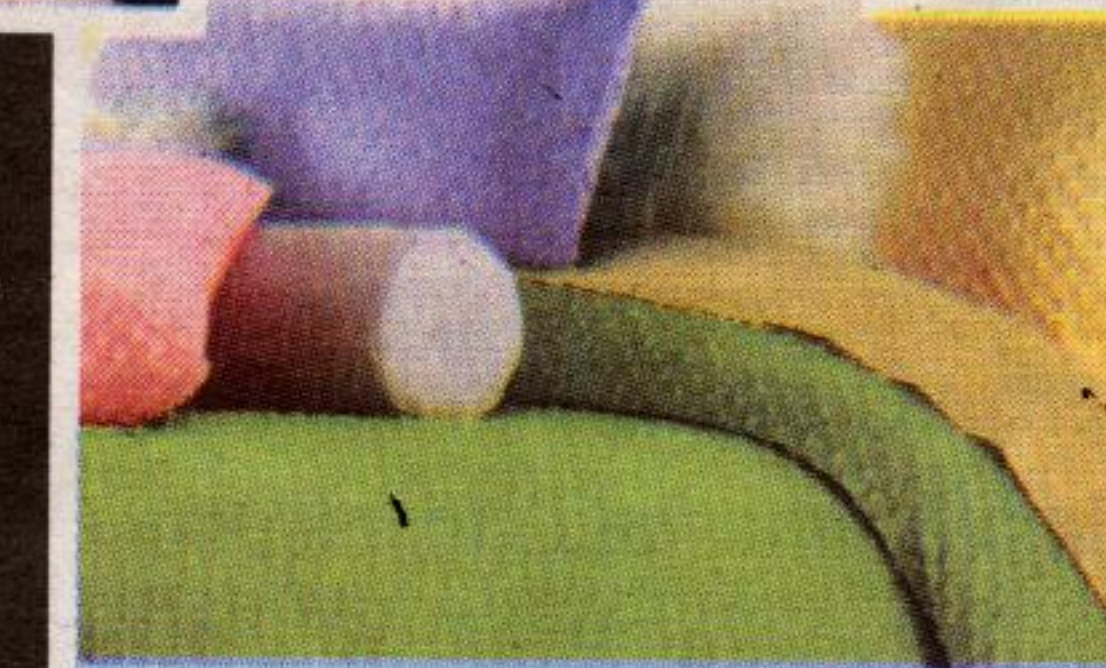
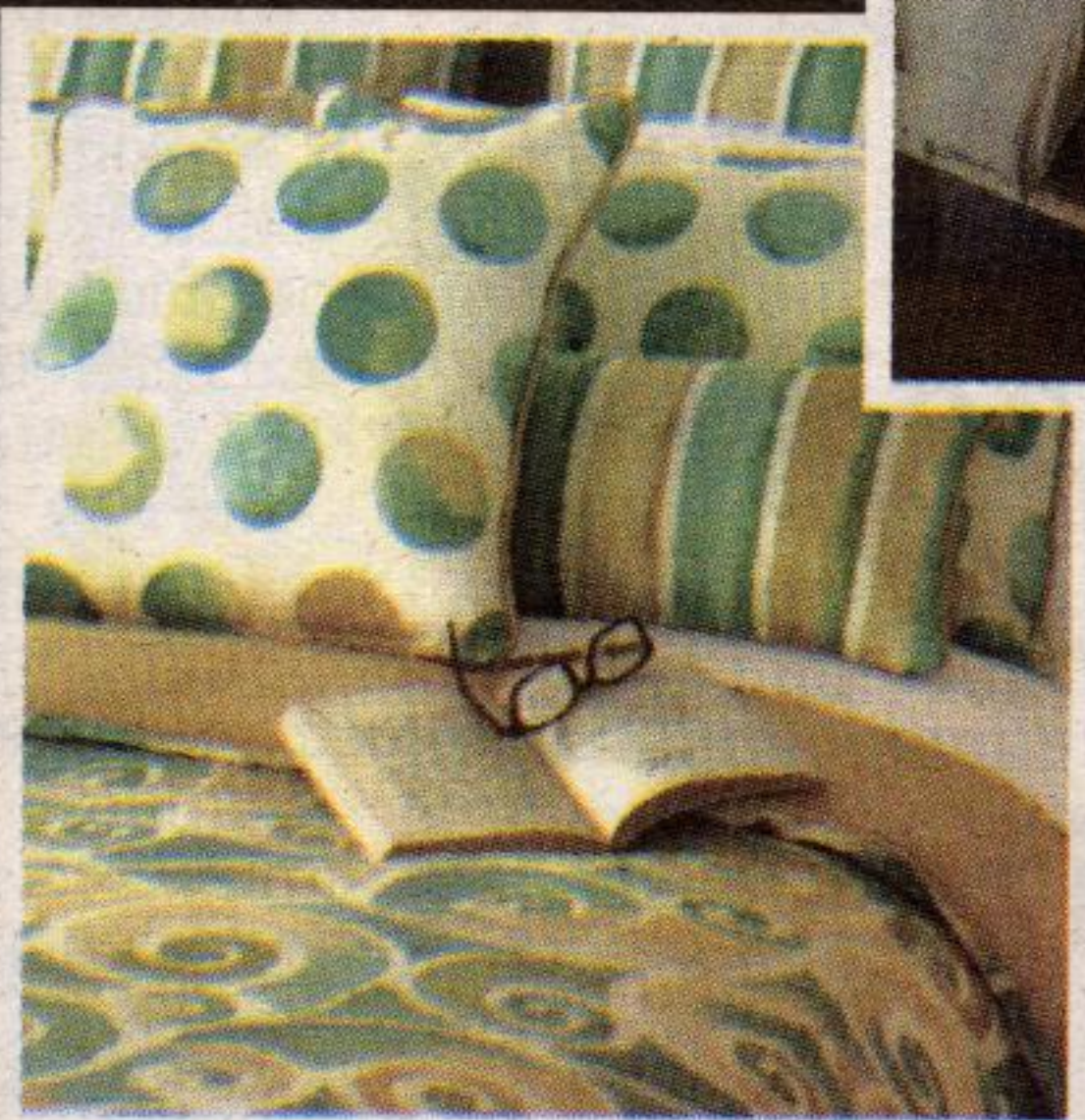
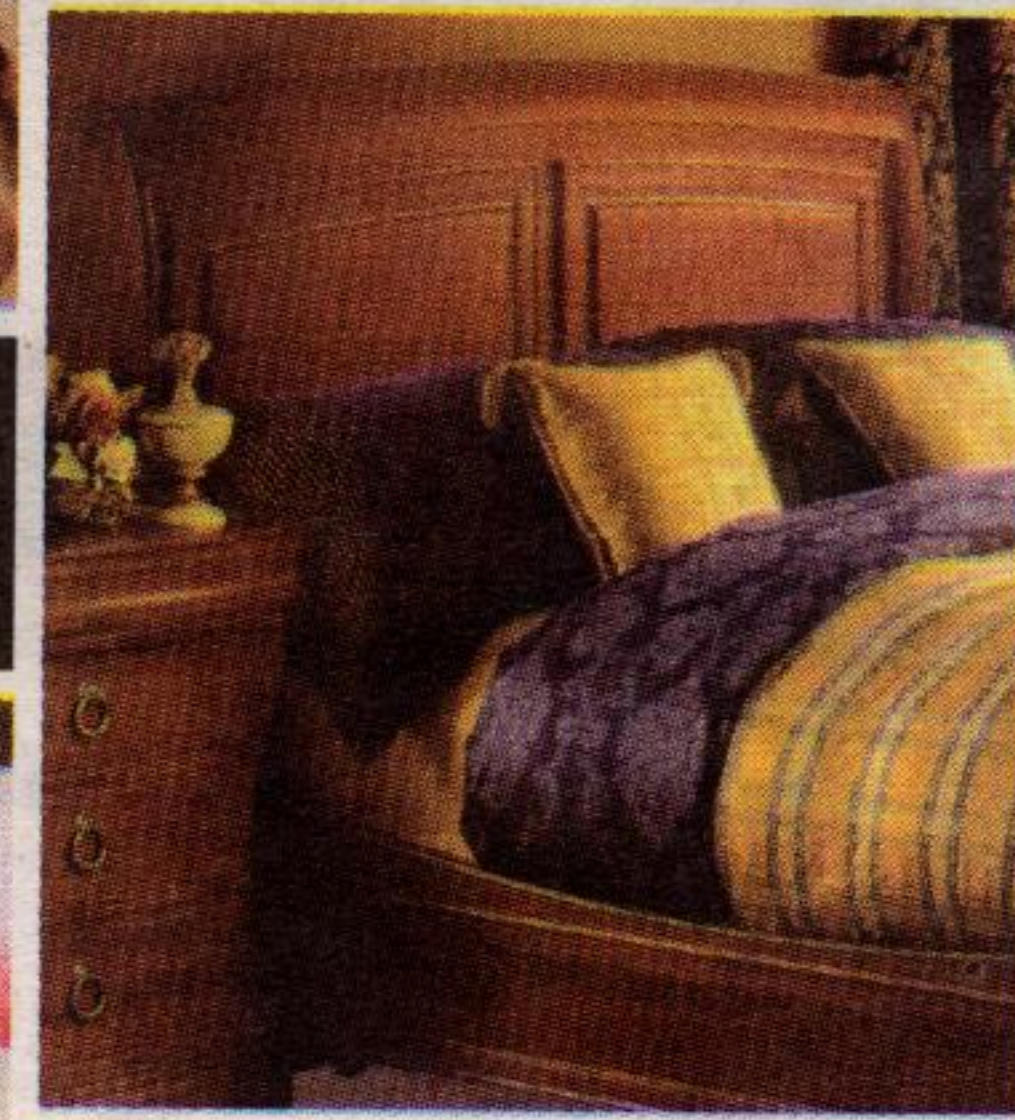
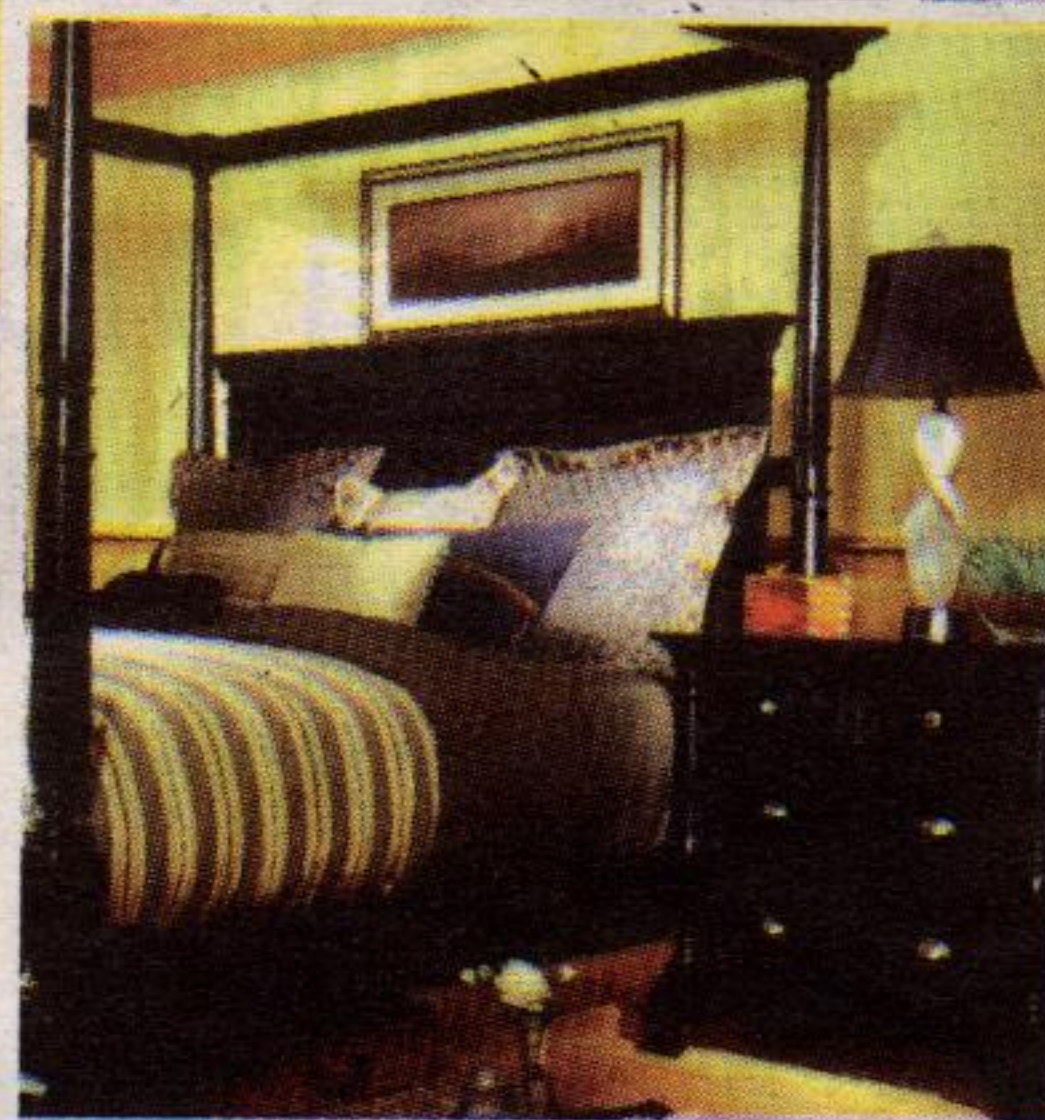
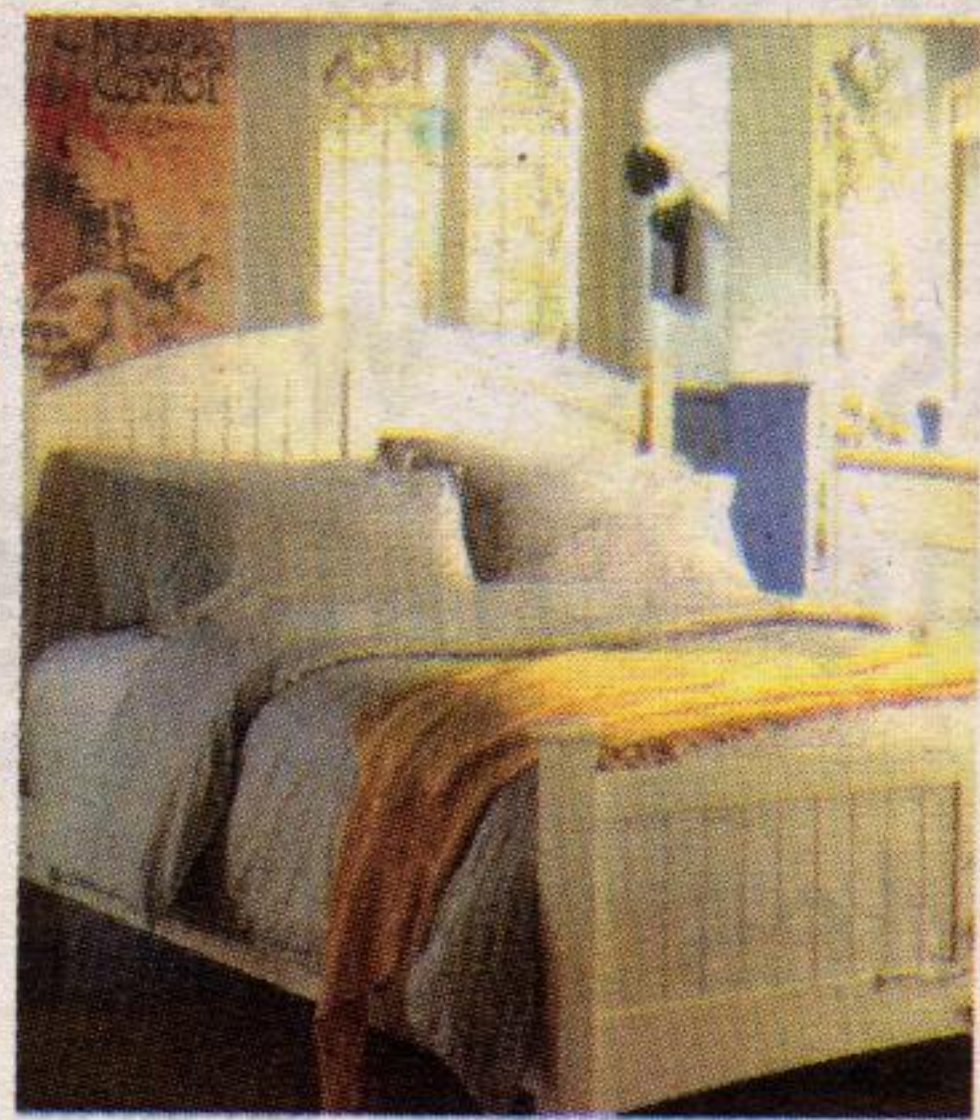
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