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■ Harvest time among the delphiniums at Wyke Manor Farm, Worcestershire, where more than 20,000 pints of the petals will be dried and packed as confetti for wedding suppliers. A generation of vicars and parish workers have had to sweep up carpets of paper confetti after weddings and many have banned it. Now Charles Hudson has devoted 16 acres of his farm to

dazzling delphiniums to be used as a alternative. His crop is completely biodegradable and retains its colour and smell for many months. Ivor Pugh, a church warden at nearby Pershore Abbey, said: "I'd like to see it work in practice first before I say it's a good idea or not but we would definitely consider it. At least nobody would have to clean up the flower petals."