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Dennis Moriarty, 80, proudly stands in his beautiful garden of wildflowers (Picture: Twitter/moriartydg)

A pensioner has been ordered to mow down his beautiful garden of wildflowers after planting them to attract bees.

Dennis Moriarty, 80, was told he faces being dragged to court by Kansas City officials after allegedly violating a ban on growing 'rank weeds and noxious [plants](#)'.

But the council's order has ignited fury among gardeners around the world who say Dennis is just trying to help the environment.

The 80-year-old military veteran began planting milkweed and echinacea during lockdown in the hope that bees, butterflies and other pollinators would return to the area.

But he warned last week that they have grown taller than the 12-inch limit and must be taken down.

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