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## Received answer

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## 9. Permissions - I am responding as

Individual

## 10. Do you agree to your response being made available to the public (in Scottish Government library and/or on the Scottish Government web site)?

Yes

## 12. Please tick ONE of the following boxes

Yes, make my response and name available but not my address

## 14. We will share your responses internally with other Scottish Government policy teams who may be addressing the issues you discuss. They may wish to contact you again in the future, but we require your permission to do so. Are you content for the Scottish Government to contact you again in relation to this consultation exercise?

Yes

## 15. It would be helpful for our analysis if you could indicate which of the sectors you most align yourself/your organisation with the purpose of this consultation (please tick one)

Member of the general public

## 17. Consultation Question 1: Do you believe that the exhibitions and performances required of wild animals in travelling circuses compromise respect for the animals concerned? Why?

Yes

## 18. Comments

we should forcing animals to perform tricks for the publics entertainment. It relates almost to the romans using humans for fun. These animals are not pets and do not belong there it is both sad and an insult to civilisation that we have so little respect for other animals

## 19. Consultation Question 2: Do you believe that the exhibitions and performances required of wild animals in travelling circuses have an adverse impact on the development of respectful and responsible attitudes towards animals in children and young people? Why

Yes

## 20. Comments

If children see animals being used for entertainment it shows a lack of compassion from adults and teaches them no sense of responsibility

## 21. Consultation Question 3: Do you consider that concerns relating to respect for animals could be resolved without banning the use of wild animals in travelling circuses. If so how?

No

## 23. Consultation Question 4: Do you believe that the ability of none, some, or all wild animals to undertake natural behaviours are compromised within the travelling circus environment? Which species? Which needs? Why?

All

## 24. Comments

all WILD animals will suffer stress when taken out of their normal environment. It is not normal to be trained to do tricks in front of an audience

## 25. Consultation Question 5: Do you consider that it is possible to facilitate the natural behaviour of none, some, or all wild animals within the travelling circus environment? Which species? How?

None

## 27. Consultation Question 6: Do you consider that the concerns raised surrounding the travelling environment could be resolved without banning the use of wild animals in travelling circuses? How?

No

## 29. Consultation Question 7: Do you consider that there are any benefits to be gained from having wild animals in travelling circuses? What are they?

No

## 31. Consultation Question 8: Do you believe that there are sufficient benefits to justify the potential compromise to the wider well-being of wild animals kept in the travelling circus? Why?

No

## 33. Consultation Question 9: Do you consider that the potential conflict between compromising the well-being of wild animals and obtaining any benefit could be resolved without banning the use of wild animals in travelling circuses. If so how?

No

## 38. Don't Know

Don't know

## 39. Comments

I have no idea but that does not change my opinion that they should never be any

## 40. Consultation Question 11: What effect do you think a ban on the use and exhibition of wild animals would have on the revenue of such circuses? Why?

No change

## 41. Comments

children can have a great time with clowns trapeze acrobats etc, and they can be engaged to contribute. Its a great thing and very magical for children. There would also be very reduced costs to the circus if animals were not used. It must be hugely expensive to have and take care of them.

## 42. Consultation Question 12: If a ban on the use and exhibition of wild animals was imposed, do you think that such circuses would still visit Scotland without the wild animals? Why?

Yes

## 44. Consultation Question 13: What effect do you think a ban on the use and exhibition of wild animals in travelling circuses would have on the revenue of other types of circuses (e.g. static or those travelling without wild animals)? Why?

Increase

## 45. Comments

there would be reduced costs and the same or higher revenue I would never visit a circus with animals but would love to take my daughter to a circus that doesn't have animals

## 46. Consultation Question 14: What effect do you think a ban on the use and exhibition of wild animals in travelling circuses would have on the revenue of circus venues? Why?

Increase

## 47. Comments

as above

## 48. Consultation Question 15: Do you consider that a ban on wild animals in travelling circuses could have an impact on other industries? If so, which industries, what would be the effect and why?

Film

• No impact

TV - drama

- No impact
- TV - documentary
- No impact
- TV - childrens
- No impact
- Advertising - TV
- No impact
- Advertising - other
- No impact
- Other
- No impact
- Other
- No impact

49. **Comments**

we are not talking about not having animals in other films plays etc, but these can be from wildlife parks( Woburn, west midlands etc)

50. **Consultation Question 16: Do you agree that the use of wild animals for performance in travelling circuses should be banned in Scotland? Why?**

Yes

51. **Comments**

reasons as previous

52. **Consultation Question 17: Do you agree that the use of wild animals for exhibition in travelling circuses should be banned in Scotland? Why?**

Yes

53. **Comments**

reasons as above

54. **Consultation Question 18: Do you consider that any ban should be a blanket ban on all wild animals in travelling circuses? Why?**

Yes

55. **Comments**

as stated earlier

56. **Consultation Question 19: Do you consider that any specific species of animal not commonly domesticated in the British Islands should be permitted to be used in travelling circuses in Scotland? If so, which species and why?**

Yes

57. **Comments**

possibly domestic animals who are kept as pets( dogs horses may have a case but no wild animals)

58. **Consultation Question 20: Do you consider that there are key species that should be covered by a ban in the event that a blanket ban could not be achieved? If so, which species and why?**

No

59. **Comments**

only domestic animals that may be considered pets could be considered but I personally am not in favour of that

60. **Consultation Question 21: Do you have any other comments on whether/how the use of wild animals in travelling circuses should be banned from Scotland?**

Yes

61. **Comments**

by legislation

62. **Consultation Question 22: Do you consider that the consultation paper explained the key issues sufficiently for you to properly consider your responses?**

Don't know

64. **Consultation Question 23: Do you consider that you had sufficient time to respond to the consultation?**

Yes

66. **Consultation Question 24: Do you have any other comments on the way this consultation has been conducted?**

No

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