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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

The issue is not about respect it is about basic rights. Wild animals in circuses are virtually kept in the most cruel and unacceptable kind of captivity that serves a questionable kind of business and "entertainment". Wild animals belong to their natural habitat and nowhere else. Keeping and exhibiting wild animals in circuses has been banned already in a number of European countries. Scotland should follow suit without delay.

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

Obviously so. Children and young people accompanying adults to cheer the abuse of wild animals are misguided in their perception of nature altogether.

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

22. Comments

Absolutely no. The use of wild animals in circuses needs to be banned without exception.

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

The ignorance of this question is amazing. If a circus were the natural habitat of wild animals evolution would have put them there and not waited millions of years till man "turns up".

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

26. Comments

The quintessence of natural behaviour is freedom to move and do whatever is desired and needed. No captivity can be facilitated to restore this freedom.

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

28. Comments

For all the reasons given above.

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

30. Comments

None - the appropriate keeping and medical care for wild animals in captivity if done appropriately is a costly affair and cannot be met by travelling circuses. Many of these circuses are depending on donations to get over winter.

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

32. Comments

Whose benefits? There is no benefit to the wild animals. Travelling and thereby being caged into small containers alone is a tremendous stress.

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

34. Comments

Measuring the wild animals overall mental, emotional and last not least physical stress of being held captive in a totally unnatural environment and performing odd exercises in excess cannot be resolved by any "benefits".

38. Don't Know

Don't know

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

This is no issue. There are plenty of performances available artists can supply to entertain people in a more intelligent way.

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?

Don't know

43. Comments

Does Scotland's economy and entertainment industry depend on the visit of travelling circuses?

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

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?

No change

47. Comments

See question 11.

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

Other

No impact

49. Comments

There has been a world without wild animals in travelling circuses, there will be one after a ban of wild animals in travelling circuses. as said before there are many way of entertainment in circuses.

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

Wild animals belong to their natural habitat and nowhere else.

Capitvity and abuse of wild animals is one of the most backward cruelty man is capable of. One would assume Scotland wishes to follow the legislation of other civilized EU countries.

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

See question 16.

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

See question 16.

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?

No

57. Comments

See question 16. Wild animals were not meant to be domesticated - least for the entertainment industry.

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

From a strictly legal point of view there is no reason why a blanket ban is not to be achieved.

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?

No

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

Yes

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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