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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)

Circus industry

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

wild animals belong in their natural habitat and not exploited in zoos and circuses

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

all animals are individuals they should be treated with respect. wild animals should be viewed in their natural habitat. children should lesrn about them and how to treat them kindly, maybe then we will not have as much animal abuse!

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

we have no right to cruelly contain them in cages making them do ridiculous things!!

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 are hunters, to b given their food it will take away their natural instincts, most of the animals are pack animals they need company for social and emotional needs

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

28. Comments

take an elephant for example, they can travel around 30 miles a day for food and drink, in a circus or zoo that is just not possoble, so therefore they dont get enough exercise elephants need other elephants to be happy, they help each other!

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

instead of paying to see animals doing things they shouldnt be naturally do, they should donate the money to animal safari's who help animals in distress who have been hunted for ivory or fur etc, they then let the animals go back to their natural homes!

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

would you keep a child caged up in a room too small for them, where they are beaten and cruelly treat if they dont "behave" and do as thete told? no, so why do we do it to wild animals? they have ad much right to live happily and safely in their own homes, they are not here for our entertainment but to be admired from afar!!

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

41. Comments

those circusis should get more "human" performers, magicians etc, cos at the end of the day us humans have a choice in being in a circus, we are not taken from our homes forceably, kept from our family kept in "houses" too small for us! prisoners who have done wrong have more rights than these animals, and also at the end of the day they can go home...the animals cant, that is wrong, that is not right!

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

43. Comments

they shud venture out on other performances such as acrobats, clowns and magicians

45. Comments

money doesnt matter, what matters is doing whats right and humane! if there was no animals in circusis people will still go, to see the other delights in the big top!

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?

Don't know

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

- Positive impact
TV - drama
- Positive impact
TV - documentary
- Positive impact
Advertising - TV
- Positive impact

49. **Comments**

this should show the world that wild animals do not belong in the circus, zoo's, or television programmes, except animal documentary's Those are educational to the world, showing the animals in their natural habitat, hopefully this will then teach the next generation of animal extinction thru cruelty and habitats being destroyed!

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**

they should be banned in every country in the world

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**

they should be banned in every country!

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**

whats good for one country should be good for the rest of the world! if people cant find any other entertainment to make them happy other than watching animals being treat the way they do, there is something wrong in their lives!

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**

no animal should be used in this way! full stop!!

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**

all animals should be protected, not just certain species of choice.

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**

wild animals have a right for freedom and to be happy and not to be exploited for human entertainment!

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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