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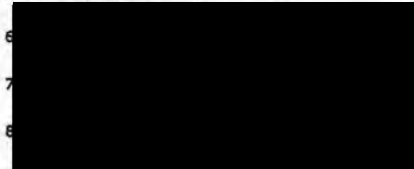
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9. Permissions - I am responding as

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

No living creature should be kept in this way. It is unnatural for any animal to be kept in captivity and be expected to perform and do tricks. This is the 21st century and we as civilised human beings ought to be ashamed of ourselves when we make money from the suffering of innocent, sentient beings, who have no choice in the matter.

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

We need to teach our children to respect and care for animals. We need to educate them that making money out of another creatures misery is wrong. I believe that cruelty to animals is cowardice and children who see and become involved in such deeds, are more likely to participate in bullying and subsequently be more likely to become offenders. Children need to be educated and taught to show empathy and kindness to both defenceless animals and all other life.

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

The animals are kept in cages and only brought out to train and perform. This is no life for any living creature. It is unnatural, cruel and unfair. I am not surprised that animal abuse is on the increase in the UK, we are not teaching our young people to respect and care for animals. We are allowing them to witness cruelty and abuse and showing them how we force animals into an unnatural life.

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

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

30. Comments

There are no benefits for the animals. The only thing to benefit, is the bank balance of the circus owners

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

The animals do not benefit

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 do not make enquiries about circuses as I assume that animals are used in the performances,

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

People would go to see clowns, acrobats etc. animal lovers would not watch animal performers

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

See above, clowns and acrobats etc are popular

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?

No Change

45. Comments

Circuses can be popular without 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?

No change

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

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

I think that the government should lead the way and earn the respect of upstanding citizens

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

Somebody has to take the lead. Certain airlines have gained respect for refusing to transport primates to labs. Scotland would be seen as the ambassadors

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

To show the world that we are civilized human beings and will not tolerate animal abuse or any abuse of any living creature

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

Every life matters. We as human beings have no right to use and abuse any living creature. We owe it to our children to show them how to be respectable, upstanding and kind citizens.

59. Comments

I do not agree to any animals being kept in such a way. The government could completely ban animals from circuses if they want to. Blood sports have been banned in England even though certain people disagreed

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

Just pass the law and educate our children as to why it has been passed. Emphasise the cruelties and the misuse that the animals have had to endure over the years. Let our children, who are tomorrow's adults know the reasons behind the ban and gain their respect.

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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