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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
I believe that circuses give an unrealistic idea of the animals natural behaviour. It is not right that wild animals are used for human entertainment. The idea that it is ok shows a lack of respect for the animals needs and welfare.
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
Greatly so as young people will see animals as objects for us to do as we like with.
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
The fact that animals are in the circuses is the problem.
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
They are kept in cages that need to be small enough to move easily. Even when the animals are not on the move their environment is very different. Wild animals have miles and miles of space to roam, hunt/search for food and interact with other animals if they choose to. Caged/confined animals do not.
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
One reason would be because there is not enough room.
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
Because the fact that wild animals are in these circuses is the problem.
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
32. Comments
I do not see any benefits in keeping wild animals in circuses.
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
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?
Increase
41. Comments
I would not pay money to see a wild animal in a circus but would pay to see a circus without animals.
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
To make money.
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
People would still visit static or travelling circuses 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?
Increase
47. Comments
I would go if there were no animals.
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?

- 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
See previous comments.
- 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 previous comments.
- 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
I think using animals in circuses is cruel, outdated and promotes an artificial view of what the animals are.
- 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 previous comments.
- 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 covered.
- 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?
Don't know
- 64. Consultation Question 23: Do you consider that you had sufficient time to respond to the consultation?
Yes
- 67. Comments
The questions are too complicated. Simplify it.

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