

**PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF PE1400
QUESTIONS / ISSUES ARISING FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

TUESDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2013

Scottish Government—

- Please provide confirmation of when the Scottish Government plans to publish its consultation, highlighted in your previous correspondence.

TUESDAY 30 APRIL 2013

Scottish Government—

- When will a decision be taken on whether to accept the offer from the UK Government to extend the scope of the draft Wild Animals in Circuses Bill to Scotland?
- What action is the Scottish Government taking to ensure that travelling circuses do not relocate from other parts of the UK to Scotland as a result of the legislation proposed in Westminster?

TUESDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2012

Scottish Government—

- In light of the new licensing regulations for England, the Committee would be grateful for the Scottish Government setting out its commitment to a ban on the use of wild animals in circuses that come to Scotland.

TUESDAY 1 MAY 2012

Scottish Government—

- Please provide a written update and a timetabled commitment for taking forward a ban on wild animals in travelling circuses.

TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2011

Scottish Government—

- Please provide a written update in January 2012 of what action the Scottish Government intends to take and to what timescale.

TUESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2011

Scottish Government—

- Following the Members' Business debate on this issue in June 2011, what work has the Scottish Government undertaken and what plans does it have in relation to the use of wild animals in circuses?
- Could the Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Act 2006 be used to introduce a ban by way of secondary legislation? What other legislative mechanisms could be considered?
- What information has been received from and what discussions have there been with the UK Government?
- What are your views on the issues raised in the petition?

Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals—

- What are your views on the issues raised in the petition and how best should they be taken forward?

Local Authorities (Dumfries and Galloway, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Aberdeen, East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire)—

- What are your views on the issues raised in the petition? What are the considerations for local authorities?
- What is the local authority's policy on wild animals in circuses? Is there a ban in place and what are the reasons for having or not having a ban?