

What will be your resilience move this week?



British Values

22nd-28th June Rule of Law

During the Covid-19 outbreak, many new laws have been introduced to help keep us all as safe as possible. It is important to follow any new rules to protect ourselves and others around us.

- The campaign 'Save our Zoo' was set up on the 3rd June and has raised more than £3m to help Chester Zoo survive. Are you surprised they were able to raise so much money so quickly?
- Many zoos claim that they need further support from the government for the periods they were required to remain closed as they are worse affected than other tourist attractions. Do you agree? Why do you think they make this claim? Compare the running costs to a theme park for example, consider things like the cost of feeding the animals.
- The supermarket chain, Iceland, has adopted Chester Zoo's entire rookery of Humboldt penguins by way of lending support to the attraction. Iceland have also agreed to lobby the UK government on the zoo's behalf. Iceland have said that as the bird symbolises all things frozen, it's the most appropriate way to offer their support. Are you surprised that the supermarket is offering their support in this way?

Should zoos have been allowed to reopen earlier?

Chester Zoo is the largest zoo in the UK and was closed on 21st March, following lockdown restrictions due to the Covid-19 outbreak. It reopened on 15th June after being closed for 3 months. During the long period it was closed, the owners were concerned that it may not ever have been able to reopen due to the huge lack of income caused by the closure and the huge costs involved in feeding the animals. A crowdfunding page was set up after the zoo said it could face a year-end debt of £24m. Chief Operating Officer, Jamie Christon, said the zoo costs more than £1.6m a month to run and gets 97% of its income from visitors. During lockdown, the zoo has engaged with visitors by hosting Facebook live videos with animals including red pandas, elephants, tigers and penguins. A number of MPs were successful in their campaign to allow zoos to reopen after letters to George Eustice, Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs asked for them to reopen.

This week's news story: <u>www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-politics-</u> <u>52986783</u>

HOUSE

- There seems to be lots of baking related days this week!
- If you are baking this week send us your baking creations for points for your house!
- Please send responses to r.hegarty@Montgomery.fcat.org.uk









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