Monkey World has rescued primates from the British pet trade for more than 30 years, and we have experienced a dramatic increase in the numbers. Current laws are not protecting the monkeys from abuse or neglect, as they arrive at the park *malnourished, with rickets, mobility problems and psychologically damaged* as a result of living in solitary confinement, inside people’s houses.

This trade is unacceptable and the current legislation is not working. **The laws must change.**

85 different species of monkey currently require NO licence or registration. In Britain today there are 85 species of primate that can be bought and sold over the counter like goldfish.

Monkeys require specialist care in terms of their environment, nutrition, daily husbandry, and veterinary care. They are social animals that live in family groups. Keeping them in solitary confinement in bird cages is cruel, unnecessary, and creates mentally disturbed monkeys.