

Local Zoo to be Closed



Introduction – State why you are writing. Use emotive language. How does the zoo make you feel? End with a rhetorical question.

Dear Local Councillor,

I am writing to you because I feel it is important to express my opinion concerning the potential closure of Farnham Zoo.

Paragraph 2 – Arguments for the closure of Farnham Zoo. Rhetorical question with a statistic.

Although the zoo is a popular tourist attraction...

- Animals are not free to run around in their natural environment.
- Some animals are mistreated and starved.
- It can be distressing for the animals to be looked at all day by noisy people.

Paragraph 3 – Arguments for Farnham Zoo to stay open. Rhetorical question with a statistic.

Whilst I understand that...

- They help endangered species survive.
- They help people learn about animals and how to care for them correctly.
- They protect animals from hunters and poachers.

Conclusion – Summary of your opinion.

*You **must** close the **horrendous** Farnham zoo so that those **magnificent** animals can be saved.*

Conjunctions

Coordinating: and, but, or, yet, so

Subordinating: after, although, as, because, before, if, since, unless, until, when, whenever, whereas, while, despite, furthermore, consequently.

Make sure you:

Write in first person.

Use a range of connectives: firstly, lastly, moreover, however

Use a variety of punctuation A . , ! ? ;

Try to use modal verbs (such as should, would or could).

Use emotive language and statistics