Zoos move out of cities

[Clip from BBC ONE Inside Out North West]

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In those days they had a lot of these small square cages with bars in and the animals had no room to run or do anything. I think a lot of them would have done it if they’d been able to, but it takes courage to put chimps on an island with just water around them and a lot of people wouldn’t take that chance. Whereas Dad took the chance of having the animals behind water or putting mesh where the lion enclosures… I can remember the directors coming and saying ‘You can’t keep lions behind link mesh wire’ but they’re still there aren’t they?