

INSPECTOR NOTE

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Complaint Reference No.

Building: VREDENBURG SMALL HOLDINGS

Street:

Suburb: VREDENBURG

Postal Code:

Date: 2022-06-02

Time: 00:00

Inspector: HANNETJIE VAN STAVEREN

Type: CASE DISCUSSION NOTE

Follow-Up Date:

Comments: Assign Inspector Open

I went out with Mr Isaac Sifineza and did an inspection. We met the Chairperson of the Smallholdings who introduced himself as Mr S.A. Somwahla.

There was about 10 farms at the smallholding and Mr Somwahla told us that Mr Marius Vrey and Mr Michael Chapman from the Department of Agriculture are on their way to the smallholdings .

Mr Somwahla informed us that a lot of pigs are dying. Mr Isaac informed me that somebody buried the dead pigs in the location and the Law Enforcement want the SPCA to open a cruelty case and I told him that the Law enforcement is supposed to lay criminal charges as this is a By Law issue.

Mr Michael Chapman and Mr Marius arrived and advised us that there was a dead pig that was sent to the laboratory in Stellenbosch and it was confirmed that the pig died of swine flue.

Mr Isaac phoned his bosses Mr Virgil Bester and Mr Jacobs . They came and they wanted the dead pigs to be buried at the dumpsite but Mr Michael Chapman told him that by moving the carcasses to the dumpsite it will increase the chances of spreading the disease to the other nearby farms.

We did agree that the municipality must dig a big hole which the farmers will use to burry the dead pigs.

Mr Michael and Mr Marius brought 20kg x 15 bags of lime and a 5 litre bottle of F10 to be used by the farmers.

I gave the chairperson the SPCA Westcoast contact details and the AFTer Hours numbers .

It was agreed that no farmer will slaughter the pigs but only the SPCA can only do that .

2021-11-26 13:30 Assign Inspector Re-Check

I went out with Hannetjie and drove around, but we did not observe any new carcasses nor new sick pigs.

Inspector October will re-check.

2021-11-29 14:10 Assign Inspector Re-Check

I went to the small farmers to see if there are any sick pigs.

I stopped at 1X camp, where I observed 6X pigs.

The owners of the pigs were also there. I asked them if they are aware of the swine flu in the area and they told me yes, because all the farmers pigs has died.

The 6X pigs at the camp looked well and they did not show any signs of being sick.

I told the owners to monitor the pigs and gave them my number if they need my help.

No other sick or dead pigs was observed.

Will re-check.

2021-11-30 13:00 Assign Inspector Re-Check

I went to re-check again at the Small Farmers and there was no sign of dead or sick pigs.

The pigs at the camp that I've been to yesterday is still okay.

Water, food and shelter is available.

Will re-check.

2021-12-29 11:30 Assign Inspector Re-Check

I went to the Small Holdings and I met Mr Pretorius. He told me that there has not been reports of dead pigs in the past few days.

I observed water, food and shelter. All the pigs that I observed are in a fair and acceptable body condition.

Will re-check.

2022-01-13 13:40 Assign Inspector Re-Check

I did not see any people at the camps nor did I see any dead pigs. The pigs that I did see looked healthy.

Water and shelter is available.

Will re-check.