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Complaint Reference No.

INSPECTOR NOTE

Building: WESKUS SAAD & DIEREBEHOEFTES
Street: 17F HEUNINGKLIP ROAD
Suburb:
Postal Code:
Date: 2024-08-08
Time: 11:00
Inspector: CARINA BODENSTEIN

Type: MEETING-OWNER

Follow-Up Date: 2024-08-16

Comments: The owner, Marius, called and advised that he will be at the shop till 11h30.

I arrived at around 11h00. Marius was attacking, defensive and verbally hostile towards me from the beginning. Eventhough I advised him that I consultanted with a veterinarian, who is also an avian specialist, Dr De Beer, he made it very clear that he has over 40 yrs of pigeon breeding and pigeon racing experience and that he knows what he is doing. I said to him thay he cant compare pigeons to the birds in his shop, as there are no pigeons in his shop and that the birds in his shop must receive the correct diet. He did not want to listen to me and just kept raising his voice and shouting at me infornt of his worker, Zita, and a customer.

I advised him that he will leave me with no other choice but take the matter further and he kept shouting at me saying that I am now trying to intimidate him. He then further shouted that I must show him the sick h birds in his shop, even when I advised him that they are currently eating the food because it is the only provided food, it does not mean that the food is healthy.

This man's opinion is set in stone and he is not willing to uplift the welfare of his birds. I saw that no matter what I say he will not change his ways and it did not help that other Inspectors did not see this as a concern.

I will discuss the matter with NSPCA Wildlife Unit for guidance on how to proceed with the matter and whether they will support us on this case.

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