

SWARTLAND WEST COAST SPCA
INSPECTOR REPORT

I3466

Complaint Reference No.

Building:
Street: 133 BEACH ROAD
Suburb: SANDY POINT
Postal Code:
Inspector: CARINA BODENSTEIN
Date of Inspection: 2024-06-26
Time of Inspection: 11:50

RESPONDENT'S DETAILS

Name: Khan
Company:
Identification:
Email:
Tel 1:
Tel 2:

REPORT

Access Granted By: Khan
Comment:
Were Animals Seen on the Property: Yes
Relationship to Property Owner: Owner
Captured By: CARINA BODENSTEIN 2024-06-28 12:16

CHECKLISTS

WATER AVAILABLE	Yes	
ADEQUATE SHELTER AVAILABLE	Yes	
ADEQUATE SPACE AVAILABLE	No ***	Only suitable for temporary housing
CLEAN LIVING ENVIRONMENT	Yes	
ANIMALS IN GOOD CONDITION	Yes	
VETERINARY PROBLEMS / HEALTH CO	Yes ***	1x AG (Feather plucking), 1x ME (old wing fracture)
CONFINEMENT OF ANIMALS	Caged - inadequate space ***	Temporary housing, birds

General Report Comments: Accompanied by Mr Gerber, from Saldanha Bay Municipality.

Upon arrival, we were met and granted access to the property by the owner, Mr. Khan.

Mr. Khan was in a clear state of frustration from the moment he met with us. He stated that Insp. October was at his premises last week to also conduct an inspection.

Mr. Khan advised about the neighborly dispute with his neighbor residing at 135 Beach Road.

Mr. Khan is a resident from Cape Town, 122 Klip Road, Grassy Park and has bought this house in Sandy Point. He claims that he has permission to keep his animals on the property, including birds. A section of the property was supposed to be constructed for aviaries, but the process was halted due to neighbor complaints, hence the birds are kept in the garage as he can't erect them their suitable sized aviaries.

Mr Khan took us inside the garage where we observed 6x African Grey Breeding pairs and 1x Moluccan Eclectus Breeding Pair. The cages are makeshift breeding cages with breeding boxes and perches. Each cage had a breeding pair inside. The cages are approximately 1200 x 600 x 800, which is only suitable for temporary housing. The birds had suitable species specific food (Avian Care Parrot Pellets) and clean drinking water. The cages were fairly clean and evidently cleaned in the last 5 - 7 days. The garage door is apparently left open during the day for a few hours to provide the birds with sunlight.

Mr Khan indicated that he will relocate the birds to his residence in Cape Town this weekend as he is tired of the complaints. He stated that he has a large aviary where the birds can fly around if they wish to, as well as fitted with enrichment.

During the time of our inspection, the birds were quiet and made little to no noise.

Mr Gerber from LE will follow up next week to confirm the relocation of the birds, thereafter I will email CoGH SPCA and request for an inspection to be conducted at his main residence to ensure the birds have sufficient space.

There is also 1x African Grey that is feather plucking, according to Mr Khan, the bird belonged to a friend who passed away and the bird is mourning. This is rather common, however I advised he take the bird for a veterinary examination and perhaps some stress/trauma control to be administered.

There is also 1x Moluccan Eclectus that appears to have an old fractured wing. This bird was originally examined by Dr. Coetzee De Beer (Avian Specialist) who advised the bird can function as is and that the bird is not in pain or currently suffering. The bird appeared to be behaving normally and did not show any signs of being in pain or distress, however I did advise Mr Khan to have this bird also taken for his annual check as this was not done within the past 2 years, just to be sure all is still in order.

Mr Khan advised that he will have this done within the next few months.

ACTIONS

OWNER EDUCATED

REPORT OUTCOMES

Follow-up inspection to be conducted 2024-07-04

INSPECTION ANIMALS

Description:

3 x WILDLIFE (AFRICAN GREY PARROT) - UNSTERILISED FEMALES (COLOUR: Grey/Red) CONDITION: Fair

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3 x WILDLIFE (AFRICAN GREY PARROT) - UNSTERILISED MALES (COLOUR: Grey/Red) CONDITION: Fair

Description:

2 x WILDLIFE (PARROT) - UNSTERILISED (COLOUR: Green/Red) CONDITION: Fair