

SANDTON SPCA
INSPECTOR REPORT

IEF709111

Complaint Reference No.

Building:
Street: LION CRESCENT PARJ
Suburb: ALEXANDRA
Postal Code:
Inspector: STEPHEN MAILA
Date of Inspection: 2022-06-13
Time of Inspection: 19:22

RESPONDENT'S DETAILS

Name: Tshepiso Mbatha
Company:
Identification:
Email:
Tel 1:
Tel 2:

REPORT

Access Granted By: Public Place
Comment:
Were Animals Seen on the Property: Yes

CHECKLISTS

CONFINEMENT OF ANIMALS	Free roaming - in property	
ADEQUATE SPACE AVAILABLE	Yes	
CLEAN LIVING ENVIRONMENT	No ***	There were faces not being picked up regularly.
WATER AVAILABLE	Yes	
ADEQUATE SHELTER AVAILABLE	Yes	
ANIMALS IN GOOD CONDITION	Yes	
VETERINARY PROBLEMS / HEALTH CO	Yes ***	One of the puppies we found was not well, it was underweight

General Report Comments: Upon arrival at the park we did not witness the dogs fighting. We saw some of the boys running away as we park our vehicle. We chased them but we could not find them.

There were people in the park and they complained that those boys occasionally bring dogs and fight them. They emphasized that they were tired of this and they were glad that we actually came out to address this matter. These were older men who were playing indigenous games in the park. I shared my contact number with them and they promised to contact me if they see those boys. They could not tell us exactly where they lived but they mentioned a number of streets: "18th avenue" "East Bank"

We met again with two young boys: Buhle Sibiya and Neo Known as "Joe Man". They informed us that they know most of the boys : They provided us with the following names:

- Tshepiso Mbatha
- Eddy
- Sihle
- Siya

They directed us to Tshepiso's home at 32 Lion crescent, East Bank, Alexandra . Upon arrival at the property we met with Tshepiso's guardian aunt who informed is that Tshepiso just went out. We explained to her the purpose of our visit and she gave us entry onto the property. Upon entry we saw an adult Pitbull, female, spayed, black and white colour and 3x puppies. The dog appeared to be in good physical condition. There were no visible scaring or fight marks on the dog. One of the pups was sick and underweight.

The yard was dirty from faeces not being picked up. There was a suitable shelter for the dogs and that provision of water was present.

The aunt was surprised to learn that Tshepiso was suspected to being involved in dog fighting because he was only 12 years old.

She complained about the puppies on the property that Tshepiso brought home without their permission and that she was unable to feed them.

Tshepiso arrived whilst were talking to her aunt. I recognized him because I had arranged to have his Pitbullx sterilized at the Sandton SPCA. It was the same dog that we saw on the property and it was that I just didn't recognize it. We asked him about dog fight activity that took place and he denied being involved. His aunt told him to surrender the puppies he refused. Eventually, the aunt took away all the puppies and surrendered them to us because we told her that we would issue a warning and that she could be implicated in contravening the Animals Protection Act if she was not taking any action to discourage any bad behaviour by his child. Tshepiso denied any knowledge of the other suspects. We left him with a bag of food for the remaining dog on the property . We informed him that he must not get other dogs or be involved in dog fighting because he will be prosecuted.

We discovered another dog on the property a German shepherd cross , male. Tshepiso told us that this dog follows him and that he doesn't know who it belongs to. This dog too we took it in as a stray.

We learned that Tshepiso may have some information on dog fighting activities but he just wouldn't give information. We will continue to work on this lead and we will involve other stakeholders in assisting us with matter.

ACTIONS

Warning Issued	V0230
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REPORT OUTCOMES

Animal(s) given away	
Follow-up inspection to be conducted	2022-06-13
Animal(s) signed over	X6/54, X6/51-53

INSPECTION ANIMALS

Description:	
1 x DOGS - A STERILISED FEMALE (COLOUR: Black and white) CONDITION: Good	
Description:	
1 x DOGS - AN UNSTERILISED FEMALE (COLOUR: Tan) CONDITION: Fair	
Description:	
1 x DOGS - AN UNSTERILISED MALE (COLOUR: Black) CONDITION: Fair	
Description:	
1 x DOGS - (COLOUR: Greyish and black colour) CONDITION: Sick, underweight and unwell	