



VETERINARY REPORT

To whom it may concern

On Friday, 9 June 2023 at approximately 09h00 SPCA Inspector Jeffrey presented me with 2 puppies collected from Block 2, Springbok Street, Kewton. The owners allege that the puppies were dead and thus were discarded of in a plastic bag. When Inspector Jeffrey obtained the plastic bag, he found one puppy was dead and the other puppy was gasping for air. We are trying our best to save the surviving puppy.

ANIMAL DETAILS

Species: Canine
Breed: Crossbreed
Sex: Male, intact
Age: Neonate
Tattoo/Microchip/Other: Nil
Name: Unknown
Description: Brown with black points

EXAMINATION FINDINGS

- **Description:** Puppy was dead on arrival
- **Duration** of the condition: The puppy suffered whilst it asphyxiated
- **Cause** of the condition: Death by asphyxiation. Human cruelty- someone put this puppy in a plastic bag and tied it closed.
- **Prognosis: Grave**
- **Recommendation** : The owner of these puppies must be brought to justice as these puppies suffered and one puppy lost his life. Killing a dog by placing it in a plastic bag and allowing it to suffocate slowly is over animal cruelty. The owners should be educated in humane euthanasia services offered by animal welfares.

COMMENTS

A minor post mortem was performed and cause of death was determined to be asphyxiation. The puppy was in good condition before its death. It was a viable neonate; it was healthy, with no obvious hereditary defects and would have been expected to live a normal life, had it not been ended in an inhumane fashion by the owner.
In my opinion this animal suffered and the behaviour of the owner is completely unacceptable.

Yours sincerely,

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