



VETERINARY REPORT

To: Whom it may concern

On June 11, 2024, Cadet Inspector Lee Prins confiscated a cat, which was brought to the SPCA at approximately 16:20 p.m. The cat was 76 Exelsior Road, Highbury.

I, Dr Rivona Ramnanan, examined the cat on June 12 2024.

ANIMAL DETAILS

Species: Feline
Breed: Domestic medium hair
Sex: Male, neuter
Age: Adult
Tattoo/Microchip/Other: Nil
Name: None
Description: Grey and white
Weight: 2.78 kg
Admission number: A32247

EXAMINATION FINDINGS

Upon examination, the cat looked depressed. According to the Nestlé PURINA Body Condition System, this cat's body condition score was 3/9. Clinical parameters were within normal limits. On further examination: the cat had a severe bilateral purulent nasal discharge; the tongue had an ulcer present and the coat of the cat was extremely poor. Presence of fleas was noted.

The cat tested FIV/FelV negative. A full blood count and chemistry was done. The results showed evidence of a mildly regenerative anaemia, mild hyperglycaemia, low urea and creatinine as well as elevated total protein and globulins. The radiographs showed evidence of severe extensive spondylosis that affected multiple cervical, thoracic and lumbar vertebrae.

COMMENTS

Due to the presence of the ulcer on the tongue, the cat was unable to eat even sufficient soft food due to pain and discomfort. Based on clinical signs, the purulent discharge was indicative of feline herpes virus commonly known as snuffles complex. Severe spondylosis noted on radiographs is an extremely painful, irreversible condition that results in debilitation of normal movement and flexibility. The blood results and the above-mentioned clinical findings show that this animal required medical intervention, treatment and hospitalisation. In my professional opinion, this animal was suffering unnecessarily and unacceptably without any medical support or intervention. In order to prevent further suffering in accordance with the

Animal Protections Act as well as the Veterinary Science Oath of Practice, the decision was made to humanely euthanise the above animal.

Sincerely,

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