



VETERINARY REPORT

- Date of examination: 4th February 2025
- Veterinarian: Dr. Helen Aldrich
- Location of collection: 52 Azalea Crescent, Lentegur, Cape Town, postal code 7785
- Inspector: Jeffrey Mfini
- Case number: INSP211496
- Admission record number: A55555
- Reason for confiscation: Owner failed to provide necessary veterinary care
- Date of confiscation: 30th January 2025

ANIMAL DETAILS

- Species: Canine
- Breed: Pitbull
- Color and markings: Tan and white
- Sex: Female, intact
- Age: 3 1/2 years
- Name: Inge
- Coat: Short
- Tail: Long
- Teeth condition: Fair

EXAMINATION FINDINGS

- **Description** of the condition
 - Moderate emaciation with a BCS (BCS) of 3/9.
 - Presence of flea dirt indicating mild to moderate flea infestation.
 - Skin condition on the lateral abdomen bilaterally with symptoms including hair loss (alopecia), scabbing, and crusting from secondary trauma due to itching.
- **Duration** of the condition - Chronic
- **Cause** of the condition
 - Chronic neglect identified as the most common cause of the condition, involving nutritional neglect and lack of tick, flea treatment, and veterinary care.
- **Prognosis** – Good with adequate nutrition, tick and flea control, and appropriate skin treatment.
- **Recommendation**
 - Recommendation for the dog to be returned to the owner only if proper education is provided.
 - Follow-up monitoring by inspectors would be required to ensure the dog receives adequate nutrition, tick and flea treatment, and veterinary care.
 - This animal suffered unnecessarily due to chronic neglect in the form of inadequate nutrition and lack of proper veterinary care and tick/flea control. This violates two of the five animal freedoms, namely freedom from hunger and freedom from discomfort respectively.

This animal was humanely euthanised with informed consent obtained from the owner after surrender to prevent further suffering.

Yours sincerely

Dr H Aldrich (BVSc)
Veterinarian

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