

INSPECTOR NOTE

Building:	
Street:	95 BIETOU ROAD
Suburb:	EASTRIDGE
Postal Code:	7785
Date:	2025-09-03
Time:	12:19
Inspector:	RUDOLPH PHILANDER

Type:	EMAIL - SENT
Follow-Up Date:	2025-09-03
Comments:	Hi Rudolph, I have reviewed the affidavits you submitted regarding the case at 95 Bietou Street, Mitchells Plain, as well as the post-mortem report from Dr. Collin Martin. I wanted to bring the following issues and observations to your attention: - Cause of Death vs Alleged Cruelty - The veterinary report confirms that the dog died from severe babesiosis with secondary malnutrition. There were no signs of physical trauma, meaning the allegation that the dog was beaten to death is not supported. - Affidavit Gaps - The affidavits document the complaint and the collection of the dog but do not provide evidence of the owner's failure to provide veterinary care or adequate nutrition prior to the dog's death . - There is no detail on what actions the owner took or did not take to seek treatment, feed, or care for the dog. - Potential for Neglect Charges - While physical cruelty cannot be substantiated, there may be potential to consider neglect-related charges. - Additional evidence is needed, such as feeding records, vet visits, witness statements, or information on tick control and the dog's condition prior to death . - Next Steps / Recommendations - Update affidavits to reflect any actions (or lack thereof) by the owner prior to the dog's death . - Consolidate charges in the affidavit to avoid redundancy and focus on those that can be supported by evidence. Based on the current documentation, the case for physical abuse is very weak, but neglect may be considered with further evidence.

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