

INSPECTOR NOTE

Building:
Street: HYDE ROAD
Suburb: FAIRWAYS
Postal Code: 7800
Date: 2026-01-12
Time: 17:00
Inspector: MAGDALENE MARSHALL

Type: EMAIL - SENT
Follow-Up Date: 2026-01-27
Comments: Original Follow-up date is for the 27/1/26

From: Magdalene Marshall - Cape of Good Hope SPCA
Sent: Monday, 12 January 2026 17:01
To: Lucille Boonzaier - Cape of Good Hope SPCA <educ1@spca-ct.co.za>; Rudolph Philander <insp12@spca-ct.co.za>; Bongani Giyose - Cape of Good Hope SPCA <educ4@spca-ct.co.za>
Subject: Re-School education

Good day Education Team,

During November last year, we received a complaint regarding a learner who brutally killed a snake. The complainant, a Law Enforcement Official with the City who is actively involved in wildlife rescues, expressed deep concern. She mentioned that she previously worked closely with Jon during his time of employment here and, as an animal activist, incidents of this nature are particularly upsetting to her.

According to her account, she was contacted by a friend living in the area where the snake was found. Being nearby, she attended the scene and discovered the deceased snake near the Hyde Road Primary School fence. While directing traffic to prevent vehicles from driving over the carcass, a learner from the school grounds

approached her and admitted to killing the snake. He stated that the snake belonged to him and that he became upset when it attempted to escape from the container in which he had kept it. Several of his peers confirmed this statement.

The complainant was horrified by the incident. After the carcass was removed, she proceeded to the school and spoke with the principal, who indicated that the school counsellor would engage with the learner. However, she was dissatisfied with this response and requested that the SPCA issue a warning. As the matter involves a minor, legal steps cannot be taken. We advised her that we would involve the Education Team to explore the possibility of arranging an educational session for the learners.

I am therefore reaching out to request your assistance in contacting Hyde Road Primary School to schedule such a session. Kindly provide feedback once arrangements have been made, as we are required to keep the complainant updated.

We appreciate your support in this matter and look forward to your response.

Kind regards,
MAGDALENE MARSHALL 2026-01-12 17:00

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