

INSPECTOR NOTE

Building: UNIT 5 WYNBERG PLACE

Street: 33 GOSPORT ROAD

Suburb: WYNBERG

Postal Code: 7800

Date: 2026-10-08

Time: 14:27

Inspector: JUSTIN DE VOS

Type: EMAIL - RECEIVED

Follow-Up Date:

Comments:

Please see below email correspondence with the vet that the owner claimed to have taken the dog to

Good morning, Justin,
Thank you for your enquiry.

My clinic is a specialist fertility clinic and I only deal with fertility matters. We have a general clinic next door, Cape Companions Veterinary Clinic and they deal with all general veterinary cases. When we have general health concerns, I always advise clients to see to these issues either at our sister clinic next door or that they go to their own general veterinarian.

The Am Bully, Star as presented to me on 30 September 2026 by people that I did not know, on behalf of an existing client of mine, Mr Tafiek Grosch. She was supposed to be pregnant and would have apparently been on her due date. She presented with a vulvar discharge.

Upon examination, I found her to be alert but with weak hindlimbs. Her condition was moderate. Her temperature was normal and on ultrasound, I found no pups but some fluid in the uterus. Given the nature of the discharge, I concluded that she had a resorption of an earlier pregnancy and that the cervix had just started opening, and therefore was releasing the intra-uterine remnants.

I put her on Amoxycylav as a precaution and advised that her hindlimb weakness be further examined by a general vet to ascertain the cause.

I have not had any further contact with her since then.

I hope this helps you. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance to you.

Regards
Dr Rachel Shuttleworth
Cape Animal Fertility Clinic

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From: Justin De Vos - Cape of Good Hope SPCA <insp7@spca-ct.co.za>
Sent: Thursday, 08 October 2026 09:04
To: rachel@animalfertility.co.za
Cc: Rowan Davids - Cape of Good Hope SPCA <insp8@spca-ct.co.za>; Yaaseen Abrahams - Cape of Good Hope SPCA <insp5@spca-ct.co.za>
Subject: Request for Veterinary Report – Star (Female American Bulldog)
Importance: High

Good Day Doc,
Pursuant to our telephonic conversation yesterday, the Cape of Good Hope SPCA is currently investigating a matter involving one of your clients.
The animal concerned is a female American Bulldog named Star, grey and white in colour. Star was seized by the Cape of Good Hope SPCA pursuant to a warrant after she was observed to be non-weight-bearing on her hind limbs. The owner was instructed to obtain veterinary attention for the

animal.

The owner, Mr Aneeq Smith, of Unit 5, Wynberg Place, 33 Gosport Road, Wynberg, provided us with your contact details and informed us that you are the veterinarian responsible for treating Star.

We kindly request that you provide us with a veterinary report relating to the most recent occasion on which Star was examined or treated by you.

If possible, please include the following information in your report:

- The date and time on which Star was examined;
- The reason for the consultation;
- The relevant history provided by the owner;
- Your clinical findings and observations;
- Any diagnostic examinations, tests or procedures performed;
- Any diagnosis or differential diagnosis reached;
- Treatment provided or prescribed;
- Your veterinary opinion regarding the animal's condition at the time of examination ; and
- Any recommendations or further veterinary care that was advised, including whether the owner was instructed to return for follow-up treatment or examination.

As this information forms part of an ongoing animal welfare investigation, we would appreciate it if the report could be provided at your earliest convenience.

Should you require any further information from the Cape of Good Hope SPCA, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Justin De Vos

Prosecutions Lead

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