

INSPECTOR NOTE

Building: WINGFGIELD REFUGEE CAMP

Street: VOORTREKKER ROAD

Suburb: MAITLAND

Postal Code:

Date: 2026-10-05

Time: 13:18

Inspector: MAGDALENE MARSHALL

Type: CASE DISCUSSION NOTE

Follow-Up Date: 2026-10-06

Comments:

Dear Lee-Ann

Thank you so much for bringing the below to our attention. Inspector Rudi Philander cc'd above will be able to provide you with feedback on past site inspections if these have taken place. I'm not sure which number you used to log a complaint but please do save the number 0217004140 for any future WhatsApp contact.

We do community outreach projects on a weekly basis and I am sure we can add the Wingfield Refugee Camp to our programme if we have not already done so.

Warm Regards

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From: Lee-Ann Adendorff <leeannska@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, 23 September 2026 12:33
To: Wendy Loots – Cape of Good Hope SPCA <fundassist@spca-ct.co.za>
Cc: Belinda Abraham - Cape of Good Hope SPCA <comms@spca-ct.co.za>
Subject: Re: Wingfield refugee Camp, Maitland, Voortrekker Road

Hi Belinda and Wendy,

I am following up the email below. I understand if the SPCA are unable to assist but please could

someone communicate? Its been more than 4 months that I have been messaging (whatsapping) and now calling/emailing and the animals on site continue to suffer . Perhaps the below email resulted in a visit to the site? I am happy to contact other departments/ personnel in case that helps.

Many thanks, Lee-Ann Adendorff

On Wed, 16 Sept 2026 at 10:53, Lee-Ann Adendorff <leeannska@gmail.com> wrote:
Hi there,

Many thanks for this. I had WhatSapped the inspectors on the number Deoni Bourne had given me and I received auto-responses but nothing more. I had presumed someone had been to the camp but sadly I heard last week that the animals are still in a bad state and no one had been to the camp from the RSPCA.

So, the Wingfield refugee camp on Voortrekker road has no access any local government support , SAPS or even NGOs and has been burned down 2-3 times by anti-immigration vigilantes. See attached article <https://groundup.org.za/article/in-photos-fire-at-cape-town-refugee-camp/> They may be the most impoverished people I have encountered in Cape Town . Some animals have already perished due to exposure - either drowned or overheated (stuck in a small "shack" made of plastic etc) The residents do want pets and are trying hard to look after these animals but they are just too impoverished.

We are a group of friends who try and help the people with toiletries , clothing and shelter and our personal budgets are spent and nothing much left for the animals except for regular dog and cat food. One colleague collected the dogs 6 months ago in order to get them vaccinated but we dont have records of which dog was helped per se. When last I checked we had around 20 animals on site - they need to be sterilised and some of them are in bad condition. One is limping badly appears to have been hit by a car etc.

If your inspectors visit the camp the guy looking after the animals is Desomd but he doesn't have a phone so the two camp leaders will also show them around. These are Faraja 065 514 4945 and also Clement on 069 249 4788. Be assured they are very approachable and we have never felt unsafe even when visiting the camp late at night so it is very safe.

I am there ad hoc and visiting the site on Saturday morning again in case you need more photos etc.

Regards, Lee-Ann

On Tue, 15 Sept 2026 at 14:12, Wendy Loots – Cape of Good Hope SPCA
<fundassist@spca-ct.co.za> wrote:

Hi Belinda

Please can you call:

Leeanne Adendorff
0646213359

Urgent situation re animal neglect, none sterilized.

Wingfield refugee Camp, Maitland, Voortrekker Road

She is not receiving any response to Inspectorate since April 2026
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