

INSPECTOR NOTE

Building:
Street: 22 CIVIC ROAD
Suburb: LOTUS RIVER
Postal Code: 7805
Date: 2026-07-27
Time: 15:19
Inspector: TEAH MURPHY

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Follow-Up Date: 2026-07-27

Comments: From: Jo-Lee Davids [mailto:joleedavids123@gmail.com]
Sent: 27/07/2026 12:42
To: Janine Ely Hospital Admin- Cape of Good Hope SPCA <hospital@spca-ct.co.za>
Cc: Janice Davids <janice101.jd@gmail.com>; My Baby ☐ ☐ <edwardbrianwilliams@gmail.com>
Subject: FORMAL COMPLAINT: Unjustified Removal of Dog and Immediate Request for Return

To the Management and Senior Inspectorate,
I am writing this letter to lodge a formal complaint regarding the unacceptable and distressed removal of our family dog from our property at 22 Civic Road, Lotus River.

Our family is currently navigating an exceptionally vulnerable period. Following the passing of my father in May, our household consists solely of women. We rely on our dog not only as a deeply loved family member, but also as our primary source of security and protection.

At the time your inspectors arrived, I was working, my mother was attending a medical appointment at the clinic, and my sister was out purchasing food for our household. As the sole breadwinner, balancing full-time work and caring for my family is demanding. While our yard may have needed cleaning at the exact moment of your visit, it is routinely maintained. A temporary delay in cleaning due to work obligations does not constitute animal neglect or grounds for removal.

Regarding our dog's health: he is otherwise healthy, active, and well-nourished, save for a growth on his paw that requires veterinary attention. I have proactively reached out to your organization via both phone and WhatsApp to request assistance with transport or a house call to examine his paw, specifically because we have no vehicle and he has not left our property since his initial puppy vaccinations. We were flatly informed that your team was unwilling to assist us. It is fundamentally unjust to confiscate a well-cared-for pet for an unaddressed medical issue when we explicitly reached out to your establishment for help and were refused support.

It is deeply frustrating to see street animals left without shelter or food, while a loved, protected, and sheltered dog is taken away from a family actively seeking veterinary aid. As a direct result of this poor treatment and lack of empathy, I have canceled my recurring financial contributions to your organization.

I demand the following immediate actions:

1. A formal written explanation detailing the legal grounds, inspector details, and specific animal welfare violations under which our dog was seized.
2. Confirmation of his current physical condition and an immediate update on the status of his paw.
3. The immediate return of our dog to our premises, alongside a constructive arrangement for his paw to be treated.

Please consider this matter urgent. I expect a response to this communication within 24 hours.

Sincerely,

Jo-Lee Davids

Contact: 065 900 3931

Address: 22 Civic Road, Lotus River

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