



Affidavit – Veterinary Report

I, **Dr. Natara Moodley**, hereby make oath and declare in English as follows:

1.

I am an adult female veterinarian registered with the South African Veterinary Council (SAVC) under registration number CS26/17195. I hold a Bachelor of Veterinary Science degree (BVSc). I am currently employed by the Cape of Good Hope SPCA. I am competent to provide veterinary services and experienced in identifying clinical signs of neglect and cruelty in animals.

2.

The facts contained in this affidavit fall within my personal knowledge unless indicated otherwise or unless it appears so from the context. The facts are also, to the best of my knowledge and belief, both true and correct.

3.

On 24 August 2026, a canine was admitted into the care of the Cape of Good Hope SPCA after reportedly being seized from a property situated at 36 Anemoon Street, Kleinvei. The animal in question was seized by Inspector Lwazi Ntungele under SPCA case number INSP235798.

3.1. ANIMAL INFORMATION:

The details of the animal are as follows:

- **Admission Number:** A101151
- **Species:** Canine
- **Breed:** Pitbull type mix breed
- **Sex and Reproductive Status:** Female (intact)
- **Estimated Age:** Adult
- **Colour and Markings:** Brown and white
- **Microchip:** Unknown
- **Name:** Unknown

3.2. CLINICAL EXAMINATION FINDINGS:

I conducted a full clinical examination of the animal in question. The following findings were recorded:

General Condition:

- **Body Condition Score:** 2/9 (severely underweight)
- **Weight:** 15.25 kg
- **Behaviour:**
 - Friendly and timid

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Nails:

Nails were excessively long and overgrown.

Head and Oral Examination:

An old, healed wound/scar was present on the ear.

Skin and Coat:

- Coat appeared dull and in poor overall condition.
- Skin was dry and lacked normal elasticity consistent with the animal's poor nutritional status.
- No other significant external skin abnormalities were noted during the examination.

Musculoskeletal System:

- Marked loss of muscle mass was evident, particularly over the spine, pelvis and hind limbs, consistent with the animal's severely poor body condition.
- Prominent bony structures were palpable due to inadequate body fat and muscle coverage.
- The animal was ambulatory, with no obvious acute lameness noted during the examination.

Parasite Burden:

- No external or internal parasites noted during the clinical examination.

Most Significant Clinical Findings

- Severe underweight condition with a Body Condition Score of 2/9.
- Significant loss of muscle mass and body fat.
- Prominent skeletal structures due to inadequate nutritional condition.
- Excessively long and overgrown nails.
- Old wound/scar to the ear.
- Poor overall physical condition consistent with prolonged inadequate nutritional support.

4.

VETERINARY OPINION:

Based on my clinical examination and diagnostic findings, it is my professional veterinary opinion that the animal presented with a severely compromised nutritional status, characterised by a Body Condition Score of 2/9 and significant muscle and body fat loss. The animal also presented with an old wound/scar to the ear and excessively overgrown nails.

The animal's severely underweight condition is consistent with chronic inadequate nutritional intake (chronic underfeeding) and/or an underlying undiagnosed medical condition resulting in inadequate weight maintenance.

The clinical findings are indicative of a chronic condition rather than an acute episode. The degree of emaciation and muscle wasting would have developed over a prolonged period.

The animal would have experienced suffering associated with its severely compromised nutritional state. Chronic undernutrition can result in persistent hunger, weakness, reduced

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energy, muscle wasting, impaired physiological function and an overall diminished state of welfare.

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PROGNOSIS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Prognosis

Guarded to poor in terms of the animal's ability to recover to an acceptable state of health and welfare without prolonged veterinary intervention and nutritional rehabilitation.

Recommendations

Given the animal's severely compromised physical condition and the assessment that it is unsuitable for adoption, humane euthanasia is recommended to prevent further suffering.

7.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the animal presented in a severely underweight and physically compromised condition, with a Body Condition Score of 2/9, marked muscle wasting and inadequate body fat reserves. The clinical findings are consistent with prolonged inadequate nutritional intake and/or an underlying undiagnosed medical condition.

The degree of emaciation and muscle wasting indicates that the condition was chronic and would not have developed over a short period. The animal would have experienced suffering as a consequence of its prolonged poor nutritional state, including hunger, weakness, reduced physical capacity and compromised overall welfare.

In my professional veterinary opinion, the animal's condition was inconsistent with acceptable standards of care and resulted in unnecessary suffering. Humane euthanasia is recommended where rehabilitation and rehoming are not considered appropriate, in order to prevent the continuation of suffering.

8.

I know and understand the content of this declaration.

I have no objection to taking the prescribed oath.

I consider the prescribed oath to be binding on my conscience.



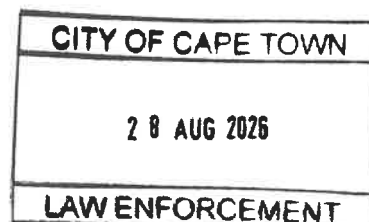
DEPONENT

Dr. Natara Moodley (BVSc)

The deponent has acknowledged that she knows and understands the contents of this affidavit/declaration, which was signed and sworn to before me at GRASSY PARK on this the 28 day of AUGUST 2026 the regulations contained in Government Notice No R1258 of 21 July 1972, as amended, and Government Notice No R1648 of 19 August 1977, as amended, having been complied with.


J De Vos
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COMMISSIONER OF OATHS



I, **Dr. Natara Moodley**, hereby further make oath and declare in English as follows:

Full names: _____



JUSTIN DE VOS

Designation: _____

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