

INSPECTOR NOTE

Building:	
Street:	6 LARK ROAD
Suburb:	BISHOP LAVIS
Postal Code:	7490
Date:	2025-08-15
Time:	10:31
Inspector:	MICHAEL ALEXANDER

Type:	CASE DISCUSSION NOTE
Follow-Up Date:	

Comments:

1.

On 14 August 2025 at approximately 10H20, I was dressed in full official uniform and operating a marked Law Enforcement vehicle, registration CCT 33829. I was accompanied by fellow officers from various units of Law Enforcement Services, including the Animal Control Unit, Anti-Land invasion Unit, and members of the City of Cape Town Metro Police.

2.

The joint operation was conducted in execution of a Search and Seizure Warrant issued for 6 Lark Road, Bishop Lavis. The warrant was obtained in response to ongoing complaints of pigs being kept in a residential area, creating a health hazard to the community, and in connection with illegally erected structures adjacent to a primary school. The pigs had gained access to the school premises through a section of the fence that had been cleanly cut. Rusted roof sheets had been placed in front of the cut section to conceal it.

3.

Upon arrival, we were met by the mother of Mr. Leroy Marcus, who contacted him to inform him of our presence and the purpose of our visit. Shortly thereafter, Mr. Marcus arrived in a white Golf GTI, travelling at a high and dangerous speed towards our location. His manner of driving nearly resulted in him striking one of my colleagues. He was immediately cautioned about his dangerous driving within a residential area and instructed to calm down.

4.

Mr. Marcus then proceeded to where I was standing with his mother, Inspector J. Pieterse, and other members of the Law Enforcement Services and Metro Police. Mr. Marcus was informed of the search and seizure warrant obtained from the Goodwood Municipal Court. The evidence bundle presented to him included previous compliance notices, 56 Notices, and Pre-Impoundment Notices, all of which he had failed to comply with.

5.

Mr. Marcus was informed of the process for reclaiming and rehousing the animals and the location to which they would be transported. With the assistance of the SPCA, all 13 pigs and 8 piglets were safely impounded and transported to the SPCA facility in Grassy Park. Law Enforcement OB number B1019 was recorded for the impoundment, and SAPS OB number 949 was recorded at Bishop Lavis SAPS.

6.

During the operation, only 12 pigs could initially be accounted for. When questioned, Mr. Marcus stated that he had sold the 13th pig. Upon further inspection, we discovered that the 13th pig, a female, along with 8 piglets, had been concealed on the school grounds in a hidden enclosure. The concealment was revealed when the pig escaped into the open field of the school property. These animals were then safely removed from the school premises with the assistance of the SPCA and transported to the SPCA facility in Grassy Park.

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