

Agenda for a hearing by Commissioners of the Regulatory Subcommittee for Waikato District Council to be held in Council Chambers, 15 Galileo Street, Ngaaruawaahia on **FRIDAY, 4 APRIL 2025**, commencing at **10.00am**.

Information and recommendations are included in the reports to assist the Subcommittee in the decision-making process and may not constitute Council's decision or policy until considered by the Subcommittee.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Regulatory Subcommittee

Reports to: Policy & Regulatory Committee

Chairperson: Cr Janet Gibb

Deputy Chairperson: Cr Peter Thomson

Membership: Deputy Mayor Carolyn Eyre Cr Crystal Beavis
(The composition of any Regulatory Subcommittee for quorum purposes to be determined by the Chairperson)

Meeting frequency: As and when required

Quorum: A panel of three to be appointed in the first instance allowing for a quorum of two once the hearing has commenced.

Purpose

1. To conduct fair and effective hearings and make determinations on the Council's regulatory functions under legislation and other matters as referred to the Committee.
2. To recommend to the Council or relevant Council committee any matters that it considers necessary to enable the effective management of the Council's regulatory functions.

Terms of Reference:

1. Hear and determine any statutory or regulatory hearings under relevant legislation unless otherwise delegated or retained by the Council, including (but without limitation):
 - a. objections under the Dog Control Act 1996;
 - b. matters under the Resource Management Act 1991 and related legislation;
 - c. matters under the Impounding Act 1955;
 - d. matters regarding drainage and works on private land under the Local Government Act 1974 and Local Government Act 2002;
 - e. matters under the Gambling Act 2003, Health Act 1956 and Litter Act 1979;
 - f. matters regarding residential pools under the Building Act 2004.
2. Hear and determine other matters that require hearings or submissions, as referred by Council or other Committees.
3. To convene working groups and carry out the Terms of Reference approved and referred by Council or other Committees.

The Subcommittee is delegated the following powers to act:

- Conduct statutory hearings on regulatory matters and undertake and make decisions on those hearings that fall within the committee's Terms of Reference.
- Appoint additional members, including external members, for hearings where expert advice is required.
- Establish and amend hearings protocols relating to the general conduct of hearings and hearings- related matters in accordance with the applicable legislation and the principles of administrative law and natural justice.
- Approval of activities and expenses relating to working groups consistent with the terms of reference and approved working group budget.

Explanatory Note:

1. The Committee may request expert advice through the Chief Executive when necessary.
2. The General Manager Customer Support, in consultation with the Chairperson of the Regulatory Subcommittee, are delegated the power to determine:
 - a. the composition of any hearings panel to be convened under the committee's terms of reference; and
 - b. the appointment of any independent hearings commissioner within the panel of commissioners approved by the Council, to hear and determine any matter under the Resource Management Act 1991 (and related legislation). An independent commissioner can be appointed to act in his/her sole capacity, or together with appointed councillors who hold the appropriate accreditation.
3. Decisions of a hearing panel shall be made by consensus although if necessary the majority view prevails

To	Policy and Regulatory Subcommittee
Report title	Objection to Disqualification of Owner

Date:	18 February 2025
Report Author:	Phil Greeves, Senior Animal Control Process and Compliance Specialist
Authorised by:	Roger MacCulloch, General Manager Customer Support

1. Purpose of the report

Te Take moo te puurongo

To provide information to the Policy and Regulatory Subcommittee (the Committee) to enable the Committee to hear the objection to a disqualification from dog ownership by Mr Daniel Warren, and to make a decision on the objection.

2. Executive summary

Whakaraapopototanga matua

Section 25(1)(b) of the Dog Control Act 1996 ("**the Act**") states that the territorial authority **MUST** disqualify a person from being an owner of a dog if the person is convicted of an offence (not being an infringement offence) against this Act. (Section 25(1)(b) of the Act annexed as Appendix 1).

On 16 December 2024, Mr Daniel Warren (Mr Warren) was convicted of an offence under Section 57 of the Act, relating to an incident where his dogs attacked other animals (sheep) causing serious injury and death to those animals. This section of the Act is NOT an infringement offence.

Staff subsequently disqualified Mr Warren from being a dog owner for a period of three years, as required by the Act (Notice of Disqualification annexed as Appendix 2) .

In accordance with Section 25(1A) of the Act, the requirement in Section 25(1)(b) of the Act to disqualify a person from being the owner of a dog where the person is convicted of an offence (not being an infringement offence) against this Act, does not apply if the territorial authority is satisfied that the circumstances of the offence or offences are such

that disqualification is not warranted; or the territorial authority will instead classify the person as a probationary owner under Section 21 of the Act.

Section 25(3) of the Act provides that a disqualification under Section 25(1) continues in force for a period specified by the territorial authority not exceeding 5 years.

On 17 February 2025, Mr Warren objected to the disqualification.

3. Staff recommendations Tuutohu-aa-kaimahi

THAT the Policy and Regulatory Subcommittee

- a. receives the report; and
- b. the Disqualification of Daniel Warren under section 25(1)(b) of the Dog Control Act 1996 is upheld for the term of 3 years.

4. Background Koorero whaimaarama

On Tuesday 28 May 2024 at 9:40am, Council's call centre received a complaint from a member of the public, [REDACTED] who advised that some of his stock had been attacked by dogs. At that time, it was unknown where the dogs had come from. (Service Request annexed as Appendix 3). A short time later, [REDACTED] rang the attending Animal Control Officer (ACO Prentis-Pirere) advising he had shot three dogs in the act of attacking his sheep. ACO Prentis-Pirere told [REDACTED] that they would come out and see if the dogs had microchips.

ACO Prentis-Pirere attended [REDACTED] property where she was directed to a trailer containing the bodies of three dogs were. ACO Prentis-Pirere scanned the bodies of the dogs and found one of the dogs had a microchip implanted (Microchip Reading annexed as Appendix 4). ACO Prentis-Pirere checked the National Dog Database (NDD) and identified the dog as Smooth, 4 years 2 months old, male, Border Collie Cross belonging to Mr Warren from 154 Phillips Road, Raglan (NDD Records of Mr Warren and Smooth annexed as Appendix 5 and Appendix 6). ACO Prentis-Pirere took photos of the dead dogs and transported the bodies to the Council Dog Pound (Photos of the dead dogs annexed as Appendix 7).

ACO Prentis-Pirere sent an Impound Notice to the dog Owner, Mr Warren (Impound Notice annexed as Appendix 8).

[REDACTED] described in his Statement (Complainant Statement annexed as Appendix 9) that on Tuesday 28 May 2024 at approximately 9:30am, whilst checking his stock, he had noticed a lamb in the next paddock. On closer inspection, he found it was dead from what he believed to be an obvious dog attack. He was familiar with the injuries having been through previous dog attacks in the past. He had approximately 320 lambs spread throughout 4 paddocks, about 55 hectares in total. On checking for the other lambs, he found multiple dead lambs most with their throats ripped out. He had gone home, informed Council of what had happened, picked up his gun and went back out.

When he returned to the paddocks, he observed three dogs attacking his lambs. He shot the dogs and advised Council what had happened and to come and collect the dog's bodies.

On 16 December 2024, Mr Warren was convicted and fined \$500 under S57(2), convicted and discharged under S53(1) failure to control and a financial reparation payment of \$500 to be made to the stock owner.

On 10 February 2025, a Notice of Disqualification from Dog Ownership was delivered to Mr Warren's address, [REDACTED]

On 17 February 2025, Mr Warren emailed Council stating that he was objecting to the disqualification.

5. Discussion and analysis

Taataritanga me ngaa tohutohu

Section 26(3) of the Act (Annexed as Appendix 10) provides that in considering any objection under this section, the territorial authority shall have regard to:

- (a) the circumstances and nature of the offence or offences in respect of which person was disqualified; and
- (b) the competency of the person objecting in terms of responsibility dog ownership; and
- (c) any steps taken by the owner to prevent further offences; and
- (d) the matters advanced in support of the objection; and
- (e) any other relevant matters.

As a result of this analysis, the Committee will have the following options:

- A. Uphold the disqualification of Mr Warren; or
- B. Rescind the disqualification.

The Committee must give written notice of its decision and the reasons for it, under section 25(4) of the Act to the objector.

The option preferred by staff is option A, and the reasons for this recommendation are discussed below.

5.1 Options

Ngaa koowhiringa

Staff recommend option A because:

- The Act states that the territorial authority must disqualify a person from being an owner of a dog if the person is convicted of an offence (not being an infringement offence) against the Act. The law makers clearly intended that owners of dogs that have been convicted of offences should, as a starting point, be temporarily prevented from owning dogs.
 - Mr Warren was convicted of an offence under the Act.
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- Staff consider the disqualification as issued is warranted, and the exceptions under section 25(1A) of the Act do not apply because:
 - The attack that Mr Warren's dogs were involved in was of a serious nature.
 - The seriousness of the offence requires a higher classification than probationary ownership.

5.2 Financial considerations

Whaiwhakaaro puutea

There are no material financial considerations associated with the recommendations of this report.

5.3 Legal considerations

Whaiwhakaaro-aa-ture

Staff confirm that the staff recommendation complies with the Council's legal and policy requirements. Legal Counsel will be available to assist the Committee with the matters of law as required.

5.4 Strategy and policy considerations

Whaiwhakaaro whakamaaherehere kaupapa here

The report and recommendations are consistent with the Council's policies, plans and prior decisions.

5.5 Maaori and cultural considerations

Whaiwhakaaro Maaori me oona tikanga

There are no wider Maaori, or cultural considerations involved in the exercise of Council's legislative responsibilities under the Act, where an individual has a conviction.

5.6 Climate response and resilience considerations

Whaiwhakaaro-aa-taiao

The matters in this report have no known impact on climate change or resilience for the Council.

5.7 Risks

Tuuraru

Should the Committee uphold the disqualification and proceed with the staff recommendation, the Objector is entitled to appeal the decision to the District Court.

Should the Committee uphold but shorten the length of time of the disqualification, the Objector is still entitled to appeal the decision to the District Court, and will be able to own and responsible for dogs in public and private spaces after the disqualification period ends.

Should the Committee terminate the disqualification, the Objector will be free to own (and therefore be responsible for) dogs after having committed an offence under the Act, increasing the risk of further serious safety incidents.

6. Significance and engagement assessment Aromatawai paahekoheko

6.1 Significance Te Hiranga

The decisions and matters of this report are assessed as of low significance, in accordance with the Council's [Significance and Engagement Policy](#).

6.2 Engagement Te Whakatuutakitaki

This is a regulatory/operational matter concerning an individual and we do not propose to inform more broadly than necessary to give effect to the classification, if upheld.

7. Next steps Ahu whakamua

Should the classification be upheld, it will apply at a national level.

Council's role will be to update the relevant records and enforce the requirements of the classification.

There is a right of appeal.

8. Confirmation of statutory compliance Te Whakatuuturutanga aa-ture

As required by the Local Government Act 2002, staff confirm the following:

The report fits with Council's role and Committee's Terms of Reference and Delegations.	Confirmed
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The report contains sufficient information about all reasonably practicable options identified and assessed in terms of their advantages and disadvantages (<i>Section 5.1</i>).	Confirmed
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Staff assessment of the level of significance of the issues in the report after consideration of the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy (<i>Section 6.1</i>).	Low
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The report contains adequate consideration of the views and preferences of affected and interested persons taking account of any proposed or previous community engagement and assessed level of significance (<i>Section 6.2</i>).	Confirmed
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The report considers impact on Maaori (<i>Section 5.5</i>)	Not applicable
The report and recommendations are consistent with Council's plans and policies (<i>Section 5.4</i>).	Confirmed
The report and recommendations comply with Council's legal duties and responsibilities (<i>Section 5.3</i>).	Confirmed

9. Attachments

Ngaa taapirihanga

Appendix 1 – Section 25(1)(b) of the Act

Appendix 2 – Notice of Disqualification from Dog Ownership

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Appendix 10 – S26(3)

25 Disqualification of owners

(1) A territorial authority must disqualify a person from being an owner of a dog if—

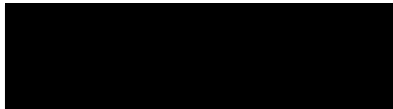
- (a) the person commits 3 or more infringement offences (not relating to a single incident or occasion) within a continuous period of 24 months; or
- (b) the person is convicted of an offence (not being an infringement offence) against this Act; or
- (c) the person is convicted of an offence against [Part 1](#) or [Part 2](#) of the Animal Welfare Act 1999, [section 26ZZP](#) of the Conservation Act 1987, or [section 56I](#) of the National Parks Act 1980.

Notice of Disqualification from Dog Ownership

Section 25, Dog Control Act 1996

To: Daniel Warren

Address:



This is to notify you that you have been disqualified under section 25 of the Dog Control Act 1996 from owning any dog.

This follows;

- ☐ 3 or more infringement offences (not relating to a single incident or occasion) having been committed by you, within a continuous period of 24 months
- ☒ You have been convicted of an offence (not being an infringement offence) against the Dog Control Act 1996;
- ☐ You have been convicted of an offence against Part 1 or Part 2 of the Animal Welfare Act 1999, section 26ZZP of the Conservation Act 1987, or section 56I of the National Parks Act 1980.

This disqualification will apply from **16 December 2024** and will run for a period of Three years.

A summary of the effect of the disqualification and your right to objection is provided overleaf.

Phil Greeves

Senior Animal Control Process and Compliance Specialist

5 February 2025

Date

*For the purposes of the Dog Control Act 1996, you are the owner of a dog if-

- you own the dog
- you have the dog in your possession (otherwise than for a period not exceeding 72 hours for the purpose of preventing the dog causing injury, or damage, or distress, or for the sole purpose of restoring a lost dog to its owner); or
- you are the parent or guardian of a person under 16 who is the owner of the dog and who is a member of your household living with and dependant on you

Effect of disqualification

Section 28, Dog Control Act 1996

You are required to dispose of every dog owned by you within 14 days of the date of this notice.

However, you may not dispose of a dog –

- to a person who resides at the same address as you; or
- in a way that constitutes an offence against the Dog Control Act 1996 or any other Act.

You must not become the owner, even on a temporary basis, of any dog while you are disqualified. You may have possession of a dog only for the purpose of –

- preventing it from causing injury, damage, or distress; or
- returning within 72 hours, a lost dog to a territorial authority for the purpose of restoring the dog to its owner.

You will commit an offence and be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$3,000 if you –

- fail to dispose of every dog owned by you within 14 days of this notice; or
- at any time while disqualified, become the owner of any dog; or
- dispose of a dog owned by you –
 - to a person who resides at the same address as you; or
 - in a manner that constitutes an offence against the Dog Control Act 1996 or any other Act.

If you are convicted of the first or second of these offences, your period of disqualification may be further extended.

You will also commit an offence and be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$3,000 if you dispose or give custody or possession of a dog to a person knowing that person to be disqualified from ownership under section 25 of the Dog Control Act 1996.

Full details of the effect of disqualification are provided in the Dog Control Act 1996.

Right of objection to disqualification

Section 26, Dog Control Act 1996

You may object to the disqualification by lodging with the Waikato District Council a written objection setting out the grounds on which you object.

You are entitled to be heard in support of your objection and will be notified of the time and place when your objection will be heard. No objection can be lodged within 12 months of the hearing of any previous objection to the disqualification.

If an objection is lodged within 14 days after the date of this notice, the requirement to dispose of every dog owned by you will be suspended until the Waikato District Council has determined the objection.

There is a further right of appeal to a District Court if you are dissatisfied with the decision of the Waikato District Council on your objection.

Waikato District Council Request

<i>Description</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Decision</i>	<i>Commenced</i> <i>Finalised</i>	<i>Target Date</i>	<i>Role Name</i> <i>User</i>
Notes					
Current Dog Classification?			28/05/2024 09:35.02 am		
	Current				
CRM Completed					
	Future				

Waikato District Council

Request

Custom Date Fields:

Custom Text Fields:

Date Received	28/05/2024	9:35:02AM	Victim Type?*	Animal
			Dog made contact?*	Yes
			When Occurred?*	26 and 27th May - Evenings
			Description of dog?*	NA
Respon/Onsite Target	05/06/2024	9:35:02AM	Incident Location?*	[REDACTED]
			Where Dog from?*	NA
			Owner Details	NA
			Victim Details	Livestock. Lambs and ewes

Ani Control Area* Raglan

OnSite Time

Completion Target	05/06/2024	9:35:00AM	Severity	4
Work Completed			Substantiated?	YES
			Outcome	

Custom Value Fields:

EOC Open?	0.00
EOC GIS Map?	0.00
EOC Impact	
EOC Urgency	
EOC Injury Count	
EOC Fatality Count	

Antenna/SSS Ref



1. Photograph taken by Animal Control Officer # 26 of Waikato District Council on 29-5-24 at 1423.
 2. Photographs shows MICROCHIP NUMBER FOR DOG 1.
 3. Photograph taken at [REDACTED]
 4. This photograph has not been altered in any way
- Signature [Signature]

NDD - SMOOTH

Log Breeds

View Dog Details

Log Breeds
Infringement Sections
Dog Classifications
Owner Classifications

Name:	SMOOTH	IA Dog id:	158005	Born:	4/2020 (MM/YYYY)	Kept at address:	
Predominant breed:	Collie, Border	Predominant colour:	Tan	Gender:	Male	De-sexed:	No
Secondary breed:	Cross	Secondary colour:		Classification:		Classification Section:	
Distinguishing marks:		Standard microchip #:	978142000034183	Status:	Currently In District	Dog alert:	No
Permanent identifier:		Other microchip #:	982091065058510	Deactivated reason:		Destruction Order Date:	(DD/MM/YYYY)
TA:	Waikato District	Registration #:	2257	Year of Registration:	2023/2024		

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[Current Owners](#) [Previous Registrations](#) [Duplicate Dogs in other TAs](#)

Current Owners

TA Owner Id=133503 : Owner=WARREN DANIEL : D.O.B=22/10/1986 : Address=154 PHILLIPS ROAD TE MATA : Created=08/04/2022

Previous Registrations

Waikato District : TA Dog Id=158005 : Reg=2021/2022-677 : TA Owner Id=133503 : Owner=WARREN DANIEL : DOB=22/10/1986 : Address= : Created=12/04/2022

Duplicate Dogs in other TAs

No duplicate dogs.

Status

Compare

Search for other duplicate Dogs

View Owner Details

NDD – Daniel Warren

First name:	Middle name(s):	Surname:	TA Owner Id:
DANIEL		WARREN	133503
Address one:	Address two:	E-mail:	Date of birth:
			(DD/MM/YYYY)
Home phone #:	Work phone #:	Mobile phone #:	
Classification:	Classification Section:	Classification expiry:	Safety alert:
		(DD/MM/YYYY)	No
TA:	National infringement count:	Protected status:	
Waikato District	0	No	

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All Dogs Owned	Infringements	Duplicate Owners in other TAs
All Dogs Owned		
TA Dog Id=157977 : Reg=2021/2022-681 : Breed=Australian Kelpie : Colour=Black : Name=MANGO : Female : Born=2021		
TA Dog Id=157976 : Reg=2021/2022-682 : Breed=Australian Kelpie : Colour=Tan : Name=SAW : Female : Born=2021		
TA Dog Id=157975 : Reg=2021/2022-683 : Breed=Australian Kelpie/Cross : Colour=Gold : Name=COCOA : Female : Born=2021		
TA Dog Id=158005 : Reg=2023/2024-2257 : Breed=Collie, Border/Cross : Colour=Tan : Name=SMOOTH : Male : Born=2020		
TA Dog Id=158004 : Reg=2023/2024-2342 : Breed=Collie, Border/Cross : Colour=Black/White : Name=GIRL : Female : Born=2019		
Infringements		
No infringements.		
Duplicate Owners in other TAs		
No duplicate owners.		
Status		Compare



1. Photograph taken by Animal Control Officer # 26 of Waikato District Council on 29-5-24 at 1425
 2. Photographs shows 3 DOG SHOT BY FARMER
 3. Photograph taken at [REDACTED]
 4. This photograph has not been altered in any way
- Signature [Signature]



Galaxy A52

1. Photograph taken by Animal Control Officer # 26 of Waikato District Council on 29-5-24 at 1420
 2. Photographs shows DOG 2 SHOT BY FARMER
 3. Photograph taken at [REDACTED]
 4. This photograph has not been altered in any way
- Signature [Signature]



Galaxy A52

1. Photograph taken by Animal Control Officer # 26 of Waikato District Council on 29-5-24 at 14.21
 2. Photographs shows DOG I SHOT BY FARMER
 3. Photograph taken at [REDACTED]
 4. This photograph has not been altered in any way
- Signature [Signature]

WAIKATO DISTRICT COUNCIL ANIMAL CONTROL

NOTICE OF IMPOUNDED DOG



To
Address

DANIEL WARREN

Waikato District Council has impounded a dog that we believe may belong to you.

The dog is a TAN colour BOXER COLLIE x male female type

With tag number

We impounded it on

29-5-24

You DO / DO NOT have to pay a fee to claim the dog from the council.

Please

- Contact the council office to claim the dog and to ensure that registration details are accurate. It is a legal requirement that all impounded dogs are registered prior to release.
- Bring this notice with you.
- Pay any relevant fees at the council office prior to collecting the dog from the pound.

Please also note

- The pound is open in Ngaruawahia between 2.30pm-3.30pm, Monday-Friday.
- You may be asked to verify your identity (eg drivers licence)

If the dog is not claimed within seven days of this notice, the council may dispose of the dog in accordance with section 69 of the Dog Control Act 1996.

Waikato District Council
15 Galileo Street
Ngaruawahia
Phone 07 824 8633
or 0800 492 452

Council Dog Pound
Brownlee Avenue (end)
Ngaruawahia



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COMPLAINANT STATEMENT

CRM# DOG53106/24
 Animal ID 158005
 Offender ID 133503
 Property ID _____

DOCUMENTS

(Tick all that apply)

- ☒ Statement & Declaration
- ? ☒ Injury information sheet
- ☒ Photos
- ☐ Consent to obtain medical / veterinary records
- ☐ Medical bills / reports
- ☐ Complainant's dog details
- ☐ Veterinary bills / reports
- ? ☒ Victim impact statement
- ☐ Correspondence

DOG IDENTIFICATION

- ☐ Dog not positively identified
- ☒ Positive identification of the dog(s) on (date) 29-5-24 at (time) 11:30 a.m. ^{microchip}
- ☐ Familiar with the dog(s)
- ☐ Seen it / them confined on property at (address) _____
- ☐ Positively identified in Animal Control vehicle
- ☐ Positively identified at Animal Pound at (address) _____
- ☐ Positively identified from photos provided by Animal Control Officer #: _____
- ☐ Photo album (if applicable)

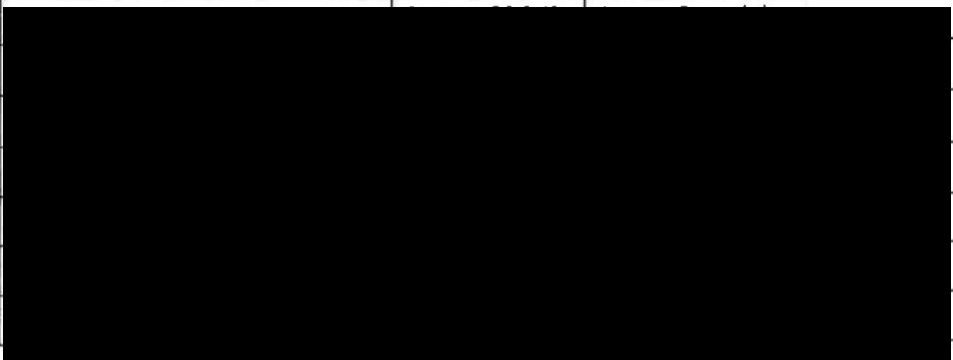
DOG OWNER IDENTIFICATION

- ☐ Does not know who owns the dog
- ☒ Knows the owner of the dog

Description of dog owner (ethnicity, gender, build, approximate age, clothing, vehicle, etc.)	Daniel Warren (proven by microchip) read by Animal Control Officer
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PERSONAL DETAILS

☒ Complainant ☒ Victim ☐ Victim's parent / guardian (select all that apply)

Title	
Name	
Address	
Home phone	
Mobile phone	
Email	

DOG DETAILS

Number of dogs involved: ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☒ 3 or more (attach separate sheet)

Dog 1		Dog 2		Dog 3
Gender	Male	Gender	Male	Male
Size	Medium	Size	small	small
Ears	small x 2	Ears	small x 2	pointed
Tail	✓	Tail	✓	✓
Breed	Mixed	Breed	Mixed	Mixed
Colour	light brown with black points	Colour	black	light brown
Collar	no	Collar	no	no
ID features	Microchip	ID features		

Date of Incident: 28/5/24

Location of Incident: 

COMPLAINANT STATEMENT

see attached

and photos sent on different emails.

More photos available as bodies located.

Signature:

COMPLAINANT DECLARATION

This statement is true, and I have made it with the knowledge that it may be used in court proceedings (pursuant to section 82 of the Criminal Procedure Act 2011).

Name	
Signature	
Name of parent / guardian (where complainant is less than 16 years old)	
Signature of parent / guardian (where complainant is less than 16 years old)	
Date	29/05/24

INTERPRETER DECLARATION (if applicable)

- I know (name of complainant / victim)
- He / she (delete one) is my (relationship to person)
- My mother tongue is (language)
- I can read and speak in English because I (give a reason, e.g. attended an English school in NZ, grew up in NZ, etc.)
- On (date), ACO (name) interviewed him / her (delete one) in my presence.
- I interpreted and translated all information and the questions put to and the answers given by him / her (delete one) from (language) into English and vice versa to the best of my skill and ability.
- The officer recorded the information I supplied in writing.
- I translated the completed statement back to (name of complainant / victim) , who confirmed that the content is true and correct.

Name of interpreter	
Signature of interpreter	
Date	

ACO VERIFICATION

Statement recorded at (place)					
ACO Full Name					
ACO Signature					
ACO Number		Date		Time	

INJURY INFORMATION SHEET – ANIMAL(S)**INJURIES**

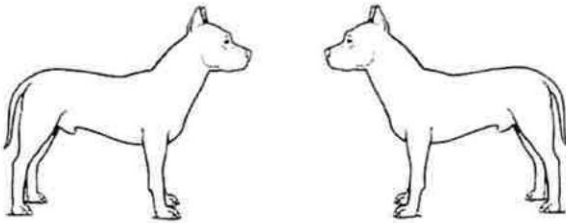
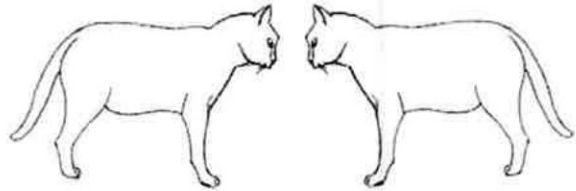
Did your animal(s) receive injuries?

☐ No☒ Yes

(indicate on the diagrams below which body part(s) is/are injured)

Describe the nature of the animal's injuries

throats ripped out rear leg major trauma
 skin torn off heads
 facial lacerations

DIAGRAMS (Select the type of animal involved)**Domestic animals**☒ Dog☐ Cat☐ Other domestic animal(s) (describe the type)**Livestock**

Animal type

sheep

Number of animals injured

Number of animals deceased

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VETERINARY TREATMENT

Did you seek veterinary treatment for your animal(s) following the incident?

☒ No☐ Yes

Date

Time

Where did your animal(s) receive treatment? (attach veterinary bills / invoices)

Veterinary costs

\$

Describe the veterinary treatment your animal(s) received

Statement

On Tuesday the 28th May 2024 at around 9:30am while checking a mob of ewes I noticed a down lamb in the next paddock.

Upon closer inspection it was dead and obviously by dog attack (having been through this before). Approximately 320 lbs are spread throughout 4 paddocks, about 55 hectares in total.

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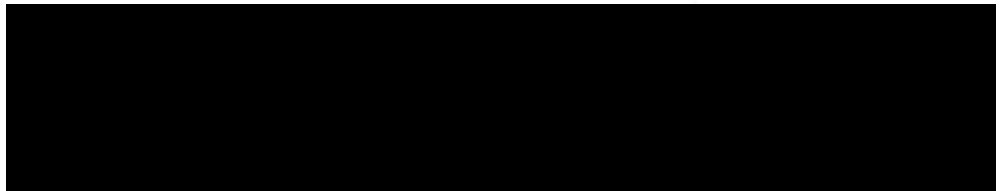
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COMPLAINANT STATEMENT

CRM# DOGS3106/24
Animal ID# 158005
Offender ID# 133503
Property ID# 13794

DOCUMENTS

(Tick all that apply)

- ☒ Statement & Declaration
- ☒ Injury information sheet
- ☒ Photos
- ☐ Consent to obtain medical / veterinary records
- ☐ Medical bills / reports
- ☐ Complainant's dog details
- ☐ Veterinary bills / reports
- ☐ Victim impact statement
- ☐ Correspondence

DOG IDENTIFICATION

- ☐ Dog not positively identified
- ☒ Positive identification of the dog(s) on (date) 29 May 2024 at (time) 11:30am
- ☐ Familiar with the dog(s)
- ☐ Seen it / them confined on property at (address) _____
- ☐ Positively identified in Animal Control vehicle
- ☐ Positively identified at Animal Pound at (address) _____
- ☐ Positively identified from photos provided by Animal Control Officer #: _____
- ☐ Photo album (if applicable)

DOG OWNER IDENTIFICATION

- ☐ Does not know who owns the dog
- ☒ Knows the owner of the dog

Description of dog owner <i>(ethnicity, gender, build, approximate age, clothing, vehicle, etc.)</i>	I only know the dog owner from the microchip read by Animal Control Officer
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PERSONAL DETAILS

☒ **Complainant** ☐ **Victim** ☐ **Victim's parent / guardian** *(select all that apply)*

Title	
Name	
Address	
Home phone	
Mobile phone	
Email	

DOG DETAILS

Number of dogs involved: ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☒ 3 or more *(attach separate sheet)*

Dog 1		Dog 2		Dog 3
Gender	Male	Gender	Male	Male
Size	Medium	Size	Small	Small
Ears	Small x2	Ears	Small x2	Small pointed
Tail	yes	Tail	Yes	Yes
Breed	mixed	Breed	Mixed	Mixed
Colour	Light brown with black points	Colour	black	Light brown
Collar	no	Collar	no	no
ID features	microchip	ID features		

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A further handwritten note was added to the bottom of the statement:

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COMPLAINANT DECLARATION

This statement is true, and I have made it with the knowledge that it may be used in court proceedings (pursuant to section 82 of the Criminal Procedure Act 2011).

Name	
Signature	
Name of parent / guardian (where complainant is less than 16 years old)	
Signature of parent / guardian (where complainant is less than 16 years old)	
Date	

INTERPRETER DECLARATION (if applicable)

- I know (name of complainant / victim)
- He / she (delete one) is my (relationship to person)
- My mother tongue is (language)
- I can read and speak in English because I (give a reason, e.g. attended an English school in NZ, grew up in NZ, etc.)
- On (date), ACO (name) interviewed him / her (delete one) in my presence.
- I interpreted and translated all information and the questions put to and the answers given by him / her (delete one) from (language) into English and vice versa to the best of my skill and ability.
- The officer recorded the information I supplied in writing.
- I translated the completed statement back to (name of complainant / victim)
....., who confirmed that the content is true and correct.

Name of interpreter	
Signature of interpreter	
Date	

ACO VERIFICATION

Statement recorded at (place)					
ACO Full Name					
ACO Signature					
ACO Number		Date		Time	

INJURY INFORMATION SHEET – ANIMAL(S)

INJURIES

Did your animal(s) receive injuries?

☐ No ☒ Yes (indicate on the diagrams below which body part(s) is/are injured)

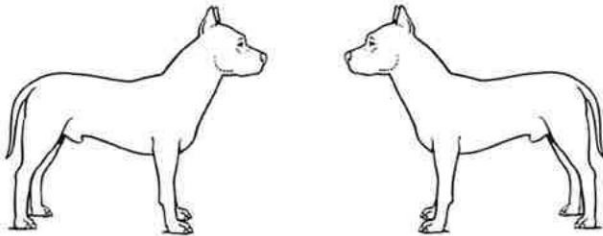
Describe the nature of the animal's injuries

Throats ripped out, rear leg major trauma, skin torn of heads, facial lacerations

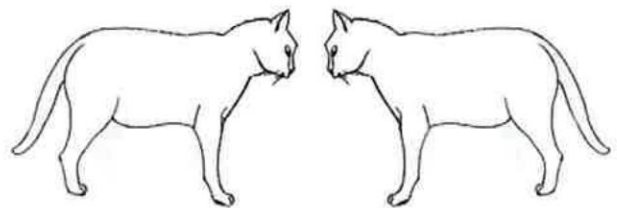
DIAGRAMS (Select the type of animal involved)

Domestic animals

☐ Dog



☐ Cat



☐ Other domestic animal(s) (describe the type)

Livestock

Animal type	Sheep
Number of animals injured	
Number of animals deceased	47

VETERINARY TREATMENT

Did you seek veterinary treatment for your animal(s) following the incident?

☒ No ☐ Yes Date Time

Where did your animal(s) receive treatment? (attach veterinary bills / invoices)

Veterinary costs \$

Describe the veterinary treatment your animal(s) received

26 Objection to disqualification

(1) Every person disqualified under [section 25](#)—

- (a) may object to the disqualification by lodging with the territorial authority a written objection to the disqualification; and**
- (b) shall be entitled to be heard in support of the objection.**

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- (b) the competency of the person objecting in terms of responsible dog ownership; and**
- (c) any steps taken by the owner to prevent further offences; and**
- (d) the matters advanced in support of the objection; and**
- (e) any other relevant matters.**

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