

Friday, 20 November 2026
10:00 AM
Committee Rooms 1 & 2, District Office, 15 Galileo Street, Ngaaruawaahia

Regulatory Subcommittee Agenda

Raarangi take o te komiti-iti mo te ture

Waikato District Council
Te Kaunihera aa Takiwaa o Waikato

Agenda for a meeting of the Regulatory Subcommittee to be held in Committee Rooms 1 & 2, District Office, 15 Galileo Street, Ngaaruawaahia on FRIDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2026 commencing at 10:00 AM.

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

The meeting will be opened with a karakia.

1. PRESENT

2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The register of interests is no longer included on agendas, however members still have a duty to disclose any interests under this item.

3. REPORTS

3.1 Objection to Dangerous Classification - Krishan Mudaliar

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Appendix 14 - Email Communications between ACO 40 and Dog Owner

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Appendix 17 - Dog Owner Statement - Krishan Mudaliar

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Appendix 24 - Email from ACO40 to Dog Owner regarding Seizure of Ratu

4. CLOSE OF MEETING

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ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Regulatory Subcommittee

Reports to: Policy & Regulatory Committee
Chairperson: Cr Peter Thomson
Deputy Chairperson: Cr David Whyte (Deputy Chair)
Membership: Cr Crystal Beavis
Cr Carolyn Eyre
Cr Fabio Rodrigues
(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.

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Open

To	**Regulatory Subcommittee**
Report title	**Objection to Dangerous Classification - Krishan Mudaliar**
Date:	20 November 2026
Report Author:	Phil Greeves, Animal Control Principal Specialist
Authorised by:	Rochelle Deane, Regulatory Services Manager
	Christine Pidduck, Legal Counsel

1. Purpose of the report
Te Take moo te puurongo

The purpose of this report is to provide the Regulatory Subcommittee (the Committee) with the information required to consider and determine the objection lodged by the owner of the dog, Ratu, against the Dangerous Dog Classification issued.

This report is intended to support the Committee to decide whether to uphold or rescind the classification in accordance with the Dog Control Act 1996.

2. Executive summary
Whakaraapopototanga matua

Section 31(1)(b) of the Dog Control Act 1996 ("the Act") requires a territorial authority to classify a dog as dangerous if the territorial authority has, on the basis of sworn evidence attesting to aggressive behaviour by the dog on one or more occasions, reasonable grounds to believe that the dog constitutes a threat to the safety of people, or other animals, or the owner of the dog admits in writing that the dog constitutes a threat to the safety of any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal or protected wildlife. (Section 31(1) of the Act: Appendix 1).

Ratu is a tan and black male, Neapolitan Mastiff cross Shar Pei aged four years and ten months (P&R – Ratu: Appendix 2). The dog is owned by Krishan Mudaliar (P&R – Krishan Mudaliar: Appendix 3) and is registered with Auckland Council.

On 17 June 2026, Council received a report alleging that Ratu had attacked a person, causing injuries severe enough to require them to be admitted to hospital for skin grafts (CRM- DOGS4656/26: Appendix 4).

The attack is reported to have occurred on 14 June 2026 at [redacted], Tuakau. At the time the request for service was received, the dog had reportedly been moved to an unknown location by the person who had possession of the dog at the time of the incident, [redacted] (hereafter referred to as "the Person in Possession" or "the PIP"), who is the dog owner's [redacted] Shortly thereafter, the PIP left New Zealand.

The dog owner, Mr Krishan Mudaliar, was overseas at the time of the incident.

Animal Control Officer Jenneken 40 ("ACO 40") was assigned to investigate the incident.

The investigation was delayed due to difficulties obtaining information from the complainant, the PIP and the dog owner, as well as establishing the dog's whereabouts. On 31 July 2026, the dog was located, seized and impounded pursuant to section 57 of the Act (Notice of Seizure: Appendix 5).

Following completion of the investigation and consideration of the available evidence, Council determined that the statutory threshold for a dangerous dog classification had been met and served a Dangerous Dog classification notice on Mr Krishan Mudaliar (Served Notice of Classification of Dog as a Dangerous Dog: Appendix 6).

On 6 August 2026, the dog owner, Mr Mudaliar lodged a written objection to the Dangerous Dog classification within the timeframe prescribed by section 31(3) of the Act (Section 31 of the Act: Appendix 1; Emailed Objection to Dangerous Classification – Ratu: Appendix 7).

In his objection, Mr Mudaliar requested that the dangerous dog classification be rescinded and replaced with a menacing dog classification.

3. Staff recommendations
Tuutohu-aa-kaimahi

THAT the Regulatory Subcommittee:

a. upholds the Dangerous Classification of Ratu under Section 31 of the Dog Control Act 1996.

4. Background
Koorero whaimaarama

On 17 June 2026, Waikato District Council received a complaint regarding a dog attack that had occurred on 14 June 2026. The complainant alleged they had been bitten on the right arm by a dog named Ratu, resulting in injuries that required hospital treatment and a subsequent skin graft (CRM – DOGS4656/26: Appendix 4).

Animal Control Officer Jenneken Laamers (ACO 40) was assigned to investigate the incident (ACO Statement: Appendix 8).

On 17 June 2026 at 10:40 am, ACO 40 contacted the complainant by telephone. The complainant advised that they had visited their neighbour, the PIP at [redacted] Tuakau, who was caring for their [redacted] dog, Ratu. They reported that the dog had bitten them. Arrangements were made to obtain a formal statement at 3.00 pm that day.

At 11:00am on 17 June 2026, ACO 40 contacted the PIP by telephone. The PIP confirmed they had been caring for their [redacted] dog, Ratu, at the time of the incident. They stated that the complainant had entered his property and approached the dog with the intention of patting it. The PIP advised that they had not given permission for the complainant to interact with the dog and that the dog subsequently bit the complainant when they approached.

ACO 40 requested the details of the dog and its owner. The PIP advised that he was now in out of the country and that the dog had since been returned to its owner. He undertook to provide the requested details. ACO 40 subsequently emailed the PIP a Person in Possession (PIP) statement form for completion and return as part of the investigation.

At 3.00pm on 17 June 2026, ACO 40 attended [redacted] Tuakau, and obtained a formal statement from the complainant. The complainant stated that at approximately 3.30pm on 14 June 2026 they were hosting a gathering at their property when they observed their neighbour, the PIP, outside their property at [redacted], Tuakau. The complainant advised that the PIP called out to them, prompting them to walk across to speak with them. As they approached, they observed that the PIP was holding a dog, later identified as Ratu, on a long rope.

The complainant stated that they asked the PIP whether the dog was friendly, to which they replied that it was. The complainant advised that they then took a further two steps towards the PIP when, without any apparent warning or signs of aggression, the dog suddenly lunged and bit them on the right arm.

The complainant stated they immediately pulled their arm away, after which the PIP asked whether the dog had bitten them. The complainant confirmed that it had, before returning to their own property to seek assistance.

A neighbour performed first aid on the bite area and advised the complainant that they should seek proper medical help. The complainant then went to Pukekohe A&E and was then taken to Middlemore Hospital where they were kept overnight. The complainant was prescribed Amoxicillin antibiotics, Ibuprofen anti-inflammatories and Paracetamol painkillers.

The complainant was admitted to the Plastic Surgery Department of Middlemore Hospital where the wound was surgically debrided and then treated with skin graft taken from their right thigh. The complainant was discharged with advice to see their regular doctor for check-ups of the injury site (Complainant Statement – C1: Appendix 9; Photos of Injury: Appendix 10).

The complainant signed a medical release form for the Middlemore Hospital medical records to be sent to Waikato District Council (Medical Release Form: Appendix 11; Medical Report C1: Appendix 12).

On 29 June 2026, ACO 40 sent a follow-up email to the PIP requesting their statement and the details of the dog and its owner, as these had not yet been provided. The PIP responded advising that they would return to New Zealand on 24 July 2026; however, they did not provide the requested information at that time.

As no contact details had been provided by 16 July 2026, ACO 40 conducted a search of the National Dog Database (NDD) using the dog's name and known surname of the dog owner. This search identified Ratu and confirmed the registered owner as Mr Krishan Mudaliar and provided contact information. (NDD Report – Ratu and Krishan Mudaliar: Appendix 13).

ACO 40 subsequently contacted Mr Krishan Mudaliar by email, advising that his dog had been involved in an attack while in the care of his [redacted] and requesting an opportunity to discuss the incident. ACO 40 also advised that previous attempts to obtain information from the PIP had been unsuccessful.

Mr Krishan Mudaliar replied advising that the PIP, remained overseas but had informed him that Council may make contact regarding the incident. Mr Krishan Mudaliar advised that he was willing to discuss the matter with ACO 40.

ACO 40 subsequently outlined the details of the reported attack and advised that she was awaiting a statement from the PIP. ACO 40 also explained the Animal Control investigation process, including the relevance of statements from both the dog owner and the person in possession of the dog at the time of the incident. Mr Krishan Mudaliar requested that a statement form be provided to him and advised that the PIP may remain overseas until August 2026.

Mr Krishan Mudaliar later advised ACO 40 by email that he had spoken with the PIP, and expected his Person in Possession (PIP) statement to be provided by the end of that week (Email Communications between ACO 40 and Dog Owner: Appendix 14).

On 27 July 2026, ACO 40 received the PIP statement from the PIP. In his statement, the PIP advised that on the morning of 14 June 2026, the complainant had visited their property and invited them to attend a street gathering being held at their residence. The PIP stated that they declined the invitation due to caring for the dog, Ratu.

The PIP stated that at approximately 4.00 pm the complainant observed the PIP walking Ratu on a lead around the PIP's property and approached them again. They advised that the complainant entered the property to renew the invitation and meet Ratu. The PIP stated that they informed the complainant that they were unsure how Ratu would react without the dog owner being present.

According to the PIP, the complainant responded that they were experienced with dogs. The PIP further stated that the complainant was holding a wine glass and indicated they would avoid making eye contact with Ratu. The PIP advised that the complainant then walked past the dog while extending their hand in front of Ratu's face.

The PIP stated that Ratu bit the complainant once and immediately released. They advised that the complainant appeared to realise they had been bitten several seconds later before returning to their own property and subsequently attending A&E for treatment.

The PIP stated that they were concerned about the incident and had exchanged text messages with the complainant later that day (PIP Statement: Appendix 15; Text Messages between PIP and Complainant: Appendix 16).

On 30 July 2026, ACO 40 emailed Mr Krishan Mudaliar advising that, following consultation with the Principal Animal Control Specialist, a decision had been made to seize Ratu as part of the investigation. ACO 40 explained that this decision was based on the seriousness of the injuries sustained by the complainant and the level of medical treatment required.

Arrangements were subsequently made for the seizure of Ratu and for Mr Mudaliar to provide a Dog Owner Statement (Email from ACO40 to Dog Owner regarding Seizure of Ratu : Appendix 24)

At 11.00am on 31 July 2026, ACO 40, accompanied by Senior Animal Control Officer, Amanda Twiss (SACO 11) and two Animal Management Officers from Auckland Council, attended Mr Mudaliar's property at [redacted], Drury. Ratu was seized pursuant to section 57 of the Dog Control Act 1996.

ACO 40 then recorded Mr Mudaliar's Dog Owner Statement. After being cautioned, Mr Mudaliar stated that he considered Ratu to be dangerous when the dog felt the need to protect property (Dog Owner Statement – Krishan Mudaliar: Appendix 17; Notice of Seizure – Ratu: Appendix 5).

While ACO 40 obtained the Dog Owner Statement, SACO 11 and the Auckland Council Animal Management Officers conducted an inspection of the property to assess its suitability should Ratu be released. The inspection identified two sections of fencing that required height extensions to meet containment requirements (Property Inspection – Ratu: Appendix 18).

Ratu was subsequently impounded and Mr Mudaliar was served with a Notice of Retention under section 71 of the Dog Control Act 1996. At that time, Mr Mudaliar also completed an application for the release of the dog, noting that Ratu was a well-loved family pet and suffered from skin-related health issues (S71 Notice of Retention – Ratu: Appendix 19; S71 Application for Release – Ratu: Appendix 20).

Ratu was temporarily held at the Waikato District Council Tuakau Office. This decision was made because officers were aware that containment improvements at the property had already commenced and were expected to be completed promptly (Impound Sheet and Photo – Ratu: Appendix 21).

ACO 40 completed the Dog Classification Decision-Making Criteria and provided all investigation material to Animal Control Team Leader Mr Craig Nicholson for review. Following consideration of the available evidence, including the circumstances of the attack and the severity of the injuries sustained, a decision was made to classify Ratu as a Dangerous Dog (Decision-Making Criteria – Ratu: Appendix 22).

Later that day, Mr Mudaliar provided photographs of the completed fencing improvements to Mr Nicholson. These photographs were added to the property inspection record and reviewed. Following assessment of the updated containment measures, Mr Nicholson approved the release of Ratu.

It was noted that additional containment work would be required to fully comply with the requirements of the Dangerous Dog classification and that a reinspection would be undertaken within one month.

Mr Mudaliar subsequently attended the Tuakau Office, where Ratu was released into his care. At that time, ACO 40 served him with the Dangerous Dog classification Notice (Served Notice of Classification of Dog as Dangerous – Ratu: Appendix 6).

On 6 August 2026, Mr Mudaliar lodged a written objection to the Dangerous Dog classification within the timeframe prescribed by section 31(3) of the Dog Control Act 1996. In his objection, he requested that the Dangerous Dog Classification be rescinded and replaced with a Menacing Dog Classification (Section 31 of the Act: Appendix 1; Emailed Objection to Dangerous Classification – Ratu: Appendix 7).

On 23 August 2026, Mr Mudaliar provided photographs showing permanent containment improvements completed at the property. These works comprised timber height extensions installed on both sides of the dwelling, creating a fully enclosed rear yard. The improvements were assessed as meeting the containment requirements applicable to a Dangerous Dog classification (Photos of Permanent Repairs: Appendix 23).

5. Discussion
Matapaki

Section 31(4) of the Act provides that in determining this objection the committee shall consider the objection and may uphold or rescind the classification.

As a result of this analysis, the Committee will have the following options:
Option A: Uphold the classification of Ratu as dangerous
Option B: Rescind the classification of Ratu

Section 31(5) of the Act provides the Committee shall give written notice of its decision on any objection, and the reasons for its decision, to the owner as soon as practicable.

The option recommended 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 classify a dog as dangerous if the territorial authority has, on the basis of sworn evidence attesting to aggressive behaviour by the dog on 1 or more occasions, reasonable grounds to believe that the dog constitutes a threat to the safety of any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife, or the owner of the dog admits in writing that the dog constitutes a threat to the safety of any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife.
- The Person in Possession of Ratu was unable to prevent Ratu from biting despite the dog being restrained on a lead.
- The dog owner has admitted in his statement that the dog 'Ratu is dangerous when he feels the need to protect his property.
- A dangerous classification will ensure that:
    1. Ratu will be required to remain in a secured contained portion on the dog owner's property and,
    2. Will be required to be controlled on a leash and muzzled at all times when in a public place.
    3. A dangerous classification also allows Animal Control to take stronger measures of enforcement if further incidents occur.

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. The Dangerous Dog classification and the right to object to the classification are documented in section 31 of the Dog Control Act 1996.

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 known impacts on Maaori or other material cultural issues associated with this report.

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 classification and proceed with the staff recommendation, the classification stands with no further recourse for appeal by the objector.

Should the Committee rescind the classification, there is a risk that further breaches of the Dog Control Act 1996 may occur giving an increased risk to public safety.

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 Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

6.2	**Engagement** **Te Whakatuutakitaki**

Highest level of engagement	Inform	Consult	Involve	Collaborate	Empower
	✓				
The hearing and outcome of the hearing is public					

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.

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
The report contains sufficient information about all reasonably practicable options identified and assessed in terms of their advantages and disadvantages (section 5.1)	Confirmed

Staff assessment of the level of significance of the issues in the report after consideration of the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy (section 6.1)	Low
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 (Section 6.2)	Confirmed
The report considers impact on Maaori (Section 5.5)	Not applicable
The report and recommendations are consistent with Council's plans and policies (Section 5.4)	Confirmed
The report and recommendations comply with Council's legal duties and responsibilities (Section 5.3)	Confirmed

9. Attachments
Ngaa taapirihanga

Appendix 1 – Section 31 Dog Control Act 1996

Appendix 2 – P&R - Ratu

Appendix 3 – P&R - Krishan Mudaliar

Appendix 4 – CRM - DOGS4656_26

Appendix 5 – Notice of Seizure - Ratu

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31 Territorial authority to classify dangerous dogs

(1) A territorial authority must classify a dog as a dangerous dog if—

(a) the owner of the dog has been convicted of an offence in relation to the dog under section 57A(2); or

(b) the territorial authority has, on the basis of sworn evidence attesting to aggressive behaviour by the dog on 1 or more occasions, reasonable grounds to believe that the dog constitutes a threat to the safety of any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife; or

(c) the owner of the dog admits in writing that the dog constitutes a threat to the safety of any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife.

(2) Where any dog is classified as a dangerous dog under subsection (1), the territorial authority shall immediately give notice in the prescribed form of that classification to the owner.

(3) Where any dog is classified as a dangerous dog under subsection (1)(b), the owner may, within 14 days of the receipt of notice of that classification under subsection (2), object to the classification in writing to the territorial authority, and shall be entitled to be heard in support of his or her objection.

(4) In considering any objection under this section, the territorial authority shall have regard to—

(a) the evidence which formed the basis for the original classification; and

(b) any steps taken by the owner to prevent any threat to the safety of persons and animals; and

(c) the matters advanced in support of the objection; and

(d) any other relevant matters—

and may uphold or rescind the classification.

(5) The territorial authority shall give notice of its decision on any objection, and the reasons for its decision, to the owner as soon as practicable.

Section 31(1): substituted, on 7 July 2010, by section 4 of the Dog Control Amendment Act 2010 (2010 No 62).

P&R – Ratu

Animal

Animal ID: [redacted]

FeePayer(s): K Mudaliar
Owner(s): K Mudaliar - [redacted]
Kept At: Animal has no associated property details
Renewal Date: 01-07-2026, Fee 210.00, No payment made

General

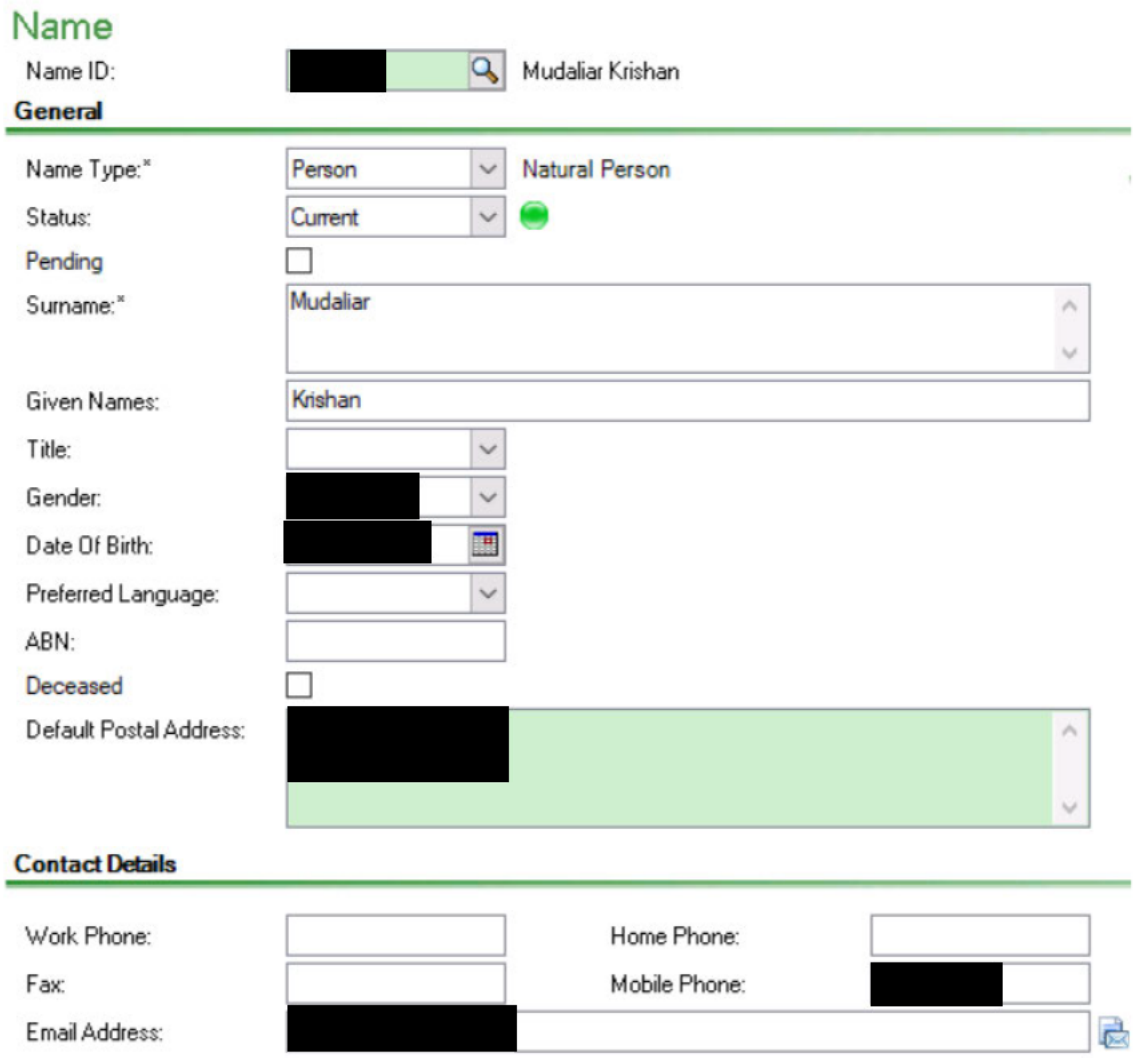
Animal Type:*	DOG	Dog
Animal Class:*	Dangerous	Dangerous Dog Registration
Renewal Code:*	Annual	Annual Renewal
Status:	Active	Active
Status Last Updated:	31/07/2026 10:28:21	

Additional Details

Animal Details

Animal Name:	Ratu				
Date Of Birth:*	01/12/2021	Years:	4	Months:	10
Primary Breed:*	SHAR	Shar Pei			
Secondary Breed:	MAST	Mastiff			
Primary Colour:*	BLK	Black			
Secondary Colour:	TAN	Tan			

P&R – Krishan Mudaliar



Waikato District Council
Request

Request Number:	DOGS4656/26	**Priority:**	Medium
Date Received:	17/06/2026 10:18.03 am	**Resp Workgroup:**	Dogs
Source:	Phone	**Raised By:**	[redacted]
Status:	Past	**User ID:**	[redacted]
Group:	Animal Control		
Category:	Dogs Aggression - Historic		
Sub Categories:			

Related AR:

Property Number:	[redacted]		
Property Address:	[redacted] TUAKAU		
Property Description:		**Land Number:**	
Caller Name:	[redacted]	**Home Phone:**	
Caller Address:	[redacted]	**Work Phone:**	
		Mobile:	[redacted]
Email:	[redacted]	**Fax:**	

Request Details:

Dogs Aggression - Historic

- Sunday afternoon 3-3.30pm
- Dog Grabbed on to right arm - Large Sharpei Tan/Brown
- Gentlemen at the end of the street wasd dogsitting for the weekend (unsure of the owners of the dog)
- the guy that was looking after the dog has left for work for 2 weeks so wont be able to make contact with him
- Dog was on a long rope but guy didnt have a hold of the rope secure enough and when the dog lunged was able to grap on to [redacted]
- [redacted] has just gotten out of hospital [redacted] has had to have skin graphs on [redacted] right arm from this attack

Resolution:

17/06 10:40 spoken to complainant. [redacted] told me on sunday [redacted] went over to [redacted] neighbour to [redacted] neighbour and the dog he was dogsitting had bitten [redacted] arm. will do statement at 17/06 0300. 17/06 11.00 Called offender [redacted] explained to me that [redacted] neighbour had come onto his property and wanted to pet the dog wihout premission and he bit [redacted] explained [redacted] was dogsitting and it was [redacted] sons dog. he is in fiji at the moment. 0300 taken statement.Send PIP statement through via email to offender. 29/06 called offender asking whats taking so long with statement [redacted] said [redacted] will get on to it. no reply on email from offenderi, emailed Dog owner the son very complaiant but could not get hold of [redacted] 16/07 spoken with dog owner via emaill. 27/07 received pip statement from offender and visited complainant for medical release. see memo

Comments:

Date	*Type*	*Feedback \ Comments*
07/08/2026 01:40.24 pm	CRMAnimals	On Friday the 31st of july i had called the dog owner and explained the proccess. After a meeting with Phill Greeves we decided to Seize the dog for 57, The dog owner was asked to sign a statement form where he admited he thinks the dog could be dangerous when it would feel the need to protect its home. while we waited for the statement and the dog was seized ACO 11 ACO40 and 2 officers from Auckland conducted a proeprty inspection so that if the dog was released under conditions we could do so. The dog owner had 2 fences to fix so we took the dog to the pound (tuakau officed) the dog owner fixed the fence and i send through proof to my team leader [redacted] He approved we would classify the dog as dangerous and the dog could return home. In a motnh we would check the property to see if it was suitable for the dog to be kept with the dangerous classification.

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Request

Event History:

Description			*Commenced*	*Target Date*	*Role Name*
	Status	*Decision*	*Finalised*		*User*
Notes					
CRM Created			17/06/2026 10:18.03 am		
	Past	Yes	17/06/2026 10:18.04 am		
Current Dog Classification?			17/06/2026 10:18.04 am		
	Past	Dangerous	10/08/2026 02:27.51 pm		
CRM Completed			17/06/2026 04:00.00 pm		
	Past	Yes	10/08/2026 02:28.07 pm		

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Request

Custom Date Fields:

Custom Text Fields:

Date Received	17/06/2026	10:18:04AM	**Victim Type?***	Person
			Dog made contact?*	Yes
			When Occurred?*	Sunday 14/06/26 @3-3.30pm
			Description of dog?*	Charpei Cross - Brown Tan
Respon/Onsite Target	24/06/2026	10:18:04AM	**Incident Location?***	[redacted]
			Where Dog from?*	[redacted]
			Owner Details	Unsure
			Victim Details	[redacted]
			Ani Control Area*	North
OnSite Time	17/06/2026	10:40:00AM		
Completion Target	24/06/2026	10:18:00AM	**Severity**	3
Work Completed	17/06/2026	4:00:00PM	**Substantiated?**	YES
			Outcome	Impounded

Custom Value Fields:

EOC Open?	0.00
EOC GIS Map?	0.00
EOC Impact	
EOC Urgency	
EOC Injury Count	
EOC Fatality Count	
Antenno/SSS Ref	

Memo

Memo ID: [redacted]

Address: [redacted]
Legal Desc:
Owners:
Offender: [redacted] Requestor: [redacted]
Request Number: DOGS4656/26 Dogs Aggression - Historic - Sunday afternoon 3 | Category: Dogs Aggression - Historic

General

Memo Type:* CRMAnimals General Animals Memo

Process ID:* [redacted] DOGS4656/26 - Dogs Aggression - Historic, , - Sunday afternoon 3-3.30pm , - Do..

Status:* Current

Notes

On Friday the 31st of july i had called the dog owner and explained the proccess. After a meeting with Phill Greeves we decided to Seize the dog for 57, The dog owner was asked to sign a statement form where he admited he thinks the dog could be dangerous when it would feel the need to protect its home. while we waited for the statement and the dog was seized ACO 11 ACO40 and 2 officers from Auckland conducted a proeprty inspection so that if the dog was released under conditions we could do so. The dog owner had 2 fences to fix so we took the dog to the pound (tuakau officed) the dog owner fixed the fence and i send through proof to my team leader [redacted] He approved we would classify the dog as dangerous and the dog could return home. In a motnh we would check the property to see if it was suitable for the dog to be kept with the dangerous classification.

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Animal Control
Notice of seizure and removal of a dog

Waikato District Council
Te Kaunihera ā Takiwaa o Waikato

Date 31/7/26 Time 11.02

To KRISHAN MUDALIAR

Address [redacted]

Tag no. _____ ANI no. _____

Name Ratu Breed Neopolitan Mastiff (M) / F

This is to notify you that this dog has been seized and removed from this address under the section of the Dog Control Act 1996 indicated below:

Section 15 (1)		Without access to food, water or shelter
Section 20		Failure to comply with Bylaw
Section 28 (7)		Disqualification of dog owner
Section 33E (2)		Failing to comply with menacing classification requirements
Section 42 (2)(a)		Failing to register dog
Section 52 (3)		Failing to control dog
Section 52 (A)(4)(a)		Failing to confine or control dog on owner's property
Section 56(2)		Removal of barking dog causing distress
Section 57 (5)(a)	X	Dog attacking person or animals
Section 57A (3)		Dog rushing at persons, animals or vehicle

The details of these offences are listed on the reverse of this notice.

You may apply for the return of the dog and should contact _____ at the Ngaruawahia / Tuakau Office on 0800 492 452, fax 07 824 8091 within seven days of the date of this notice. You may be required to pay any fees incurred in the seizure, custody, sustenance and transport of the dog.

Note: The dog may be sold, destroyed or otherwise disposed of unless the dog is claimed and all fees owing are paid within seven days from the date of this notice. Disposal of the dog may not exempt the owner from fees owing or from possible prosecution.

Animal Control Officer [signature] **Date** 31/7/26

0800 492 452

■ If calling from overseas +64 7 824 8633
■ publicenquiries@waidc.govt.nz
■ www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz
■ www.facebook.com/WaikatoDistrictCouncil

Postal Address
Waikato District Council
Private Bag 544
Ngaruawahia 3742

Huntly Office
142 Main Street
Huntly

Ngaruawahia Office
15 Galileo Street
Ngaruawahia

Raglan Office
7 Bow Street
Raglan

Te Kauwhata Office
1 Main Road
Te Kauwhata

Tuakau Office
2 Dominion Road
Tuakau

Waikato DISTRICT COUNCIL
Te Kaunihera aa Takiwaa o Waikato

District Office
Private Bag 544 Ngaruawahia 3742 — 15 Galileo Street, Facsimile — ☎ 07 824 8633, 🖷 07 824 8091
Huntly Area Office — 142 Main Street — ☎ 07 828 7551
Raglan Area Office — 7 Bow Street — ☎ 07 825 8129
Tuakau Area Office — 2 Dominion Road — ☎ 0800 492 452

OFFICE USE ONLY
CRM: DOGS4656/26
Person ID: 223233
Dog ID: 171388

Notice of Classification of Dog as a Dangerous Dog

Section 31 Dog Control Act 1996

To: Krishan Mudaliar

Address: [redacted]

Drury

Date of Service: 31/7/2026
Name: KRISHAN GOVIND MUDALIAR
Signature: [redacted]
Relationship to Dog Owner: owner
Served By ACO: 40
ACO Signature: [redacted]

THIS IS TO NOTIFY YOU THAT THE DOG DESCRIBED HEREIN,

"Ratu" Tan/Brown, Neopolitan Mastiff cross, Male MC: 990000006716314
(description of dog)

HAS BEEN CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS DOG UNDER SECTION 31(1) OF THE DOG CONTROL ACT 1996.

THIS IS BECAUSE

☐ You have been convicted of an offence under section 57A(2) of the Dog Control Act.

☐ The Waikato District Council has, on the basis of sworn evidence attesting to aggressive behaviour by the dog on one or more occasions, reasonable grounds to believe it constitutes a threat to the safety of any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife.

☒ You have admitted in writing that the dog constitutes a threat to the safety of any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife.

A summary of the effect of the classification and your right to object is contained overleaf.

[redacted]

Phillip Greeves
Animal Control Principal Specialist

Friday, 31 July 2026
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 classification as dangerous dog

Sections 32 and 36A, Dog Control Act 1996

You are required,—

(a) within 1 month after receipt of this notice, to ensure that the dog is kept within a securely fenced portion of your property that it is not necessary to enter to obtain access to at least 1 door of any dwelling on the property; and

(b) not to allow the dog to be at large or in any public place or in any private way (other than when confined completely within a vehicle or cage) without—

(i) the dog being muzzled in such a manner as to prevent the dog from biting but to allow it to breathe and drink without obstruction; and

(ii) the dog being controlled on a leash (except in a designated dog exercise area); and

(c) to produce to Waikato District Council, within 1 month after receipt of this notice, a certificate issued by a veterinarian certifying—

(i) that the dog is or has been neutered; or

(ii) that for reasons that are specified in the certificate, the dog will not be in a fit condition to be neutered before a date specified in the certificate; and

(d) where a certificate under paragraph (c)(ii) is produced to Waikato District Council, within 1 month after the date specified in that certificate, a further certificate under paragraph (c)(i); and

(e) in respect of every registration year commencing after receipt of this notice, to pay dog control fees for that dog at 150% of the level that would apply if the dog were not classified as a dangerous dog; and

(f) not to dispose of the dog to any other person without the written consent of the territorial authority in whose district the dog is to be kept.

You will commit an offence and be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding $3,000 if you fail to comply with all of the matters in paragraphs (a) to (f) above. In addition, on conviction the court must order the destruction of the dog unless satisfied that the circumstances of the offence were exceptional and do not justify the destruction of the dog.

A dog control officer or dog ranger may seize and remove the dog from you if you fail to comply with all of the matters in paragraphs (a) to (f) above. The ranger or officer may keep the dog until you demonstrate that you are willing to comply with paragraphs (a) to (f).

You will also commit an offence and be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding $3,000 if you sell or otherwise transfer the dog, or offer to do so, to any other person without disclosing that the dog is classified as a dangerous dog.

As from 1 July 2006, you are also required, for the purpose of providing permanent identification of the dog, to arrange for the dog to be implanted with a functioning microchip transponder. This must be confirmed by making the dog available to Waikato District Council in accordance with the reasonable instructions of Waikato District Council for verification that the dog has been implanted with a functioning microchip transponder of the prescribed type and in the prescribed location.

You will commit an offence and be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding $3,000 if you fail to comply with this requirement—

- within 2 months from 1 July 2006 if your dog is classified as menacing on or after 1 December 2003 but before 1 July 2006; or
- within 2 months after the dog is classified as menacing if your dog is classified as menacing after 1 July 2006.

If the dog is in the possession of another person for a period not exceeding 72 hours, you must advise that person of the requirement to not allow the dog to be at large or in any public place or in any private way (other than when confined completely within a vehicle or cage) without the dog being muzzled in such a manner as to prevent the dog from biting but to allow it to breathe and drink without obstruction. You will commit an offence and be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding $500 if you fail to comply with this requirement.

Full details of the effect of classification as a dangerous dog are provided in the Dog Control Act 1996.

Right of objection to classification

Section 31(3), Dog Control Act 1996

You may object to the classification by lodging with the Waikato District Council a written objection within 14 days of receipt of this notice setting out the grounds on which you object. You are entitled to be heard in support of the objection and will be notified of the time and place at which your objection will be heard.

Sent: Thursday, August 6, 2026 8:15 PM
To: Jenn Laamers [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Re: Dog attack Ratu Mudaliar

Hi Jenn,

Thanks for all your help last week with sorting out Ratu. From our discussions you said the two options would be to either classify Ratu as dangerous and end the investigation there or if we didn't want to do that it would go to court, but that if we went with option 1 and Ratu was classified as dangerous there was still the ability to object to the classification. Thank you for letting us know about these options.

We are wanting to formally object to Ratu's classification as a dangerous dog, and would like to ask for his dangerous classification to be rescinded and replaced by a menacing classification. Are you able to let us know the process going forward and when we should submit our supporting documentation for the objection?

I would also like to make a LGOIMA request for the entire case file related to Ratu's bite investigation and subsequent classification, this includes all witness statements and internal decision making records. I would like this request to be treated as urgent so that we can have access to these materials to assist with our objection.

Regards,

Krishan Mudaliar

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER (ACO)

Waikato DISTRICT COUNCIL
Te Kaunihera aa Takiwaa o Waikato

DOCUMENTS
(Tick all that apply)

- ☒ ACO Statement and Declaration
- ☐ Scene – photos and key
- ☐ Scene – aerial image / map and key
- ☐ Scene – sketch diagram and key
- ☐ Case notes *(if any)*
- ☐ Correspondence and other
- ☐ Photo album *(if applicable)*
- ☐ History
  (Tick all that apply)
  - ☐ P & R printouts
  - ☐ Infringement notices
  - ☐ Other: _____

ACO DETAILS			
ACO Number	40	**Date of Birth**	[redacted]
Full Name	Jenn Laamers		
Email	[redacted]		
Phone	[redacted]		

ACO STATEMENT

CRM#: DOGS4656/26
On the 17th of June 2926 at 10:18AM I received a job for a Dog aggression – historic. At 10:40am I called the complainant where [redacted] explained the following: On Sunday afternoon [redacted] neighbour's dog bit [redacted]. [redacted] went over to their property in the morning and spoke to [redacted] to ask [redacted] to come over for a gathering. [redacted] said no [redacted] couldn't as [redacted] was looking after [redacted] son's dog. [redacted] said, later that day [redacted] went over to his property to pet the dog as [redacted] used to be a dog trainer and loved dogs but the dog bit [redacted] I asked [redacted] did you just went over and pet the dog without them being present or asking permission. [redacted] said no, dog owner was there. As [redacted] story sounded confusing, I told [redacted] would come over to take a statement. I asked [redacted] information about the dog and it's owner but [redacted] immediately said [redacted] had left the country for [redacted] business in Fiji. I asked [redacted] why [redacted] waited this long to put the complaint in [redacted] said [redacted] actually didn't want to but someone else did it for [redacted].

At 11:00AM I found [redacted] details and called [redacted] told me that [redacted] came onto [redacted] property to pet the dog without [redacted] permission and it bit [redacted].
I asked [redacted] of the details of the dog and dog owner and [redacted] would later send it to me [redacted] told me.

0300 that same day I took [redacted] statement. [redacted] statement conflicted with what [redacted] told me over the phone as the statement reads, [redacted] did ask permission, [redacted] did say [redacted] was holding the dog on a lead and that [redacted] did not enter [redacted] premisses but stayed on the walkway.

I found the details of [redacted] and send him an email for a PIP statement and to follow up on the details of the dog and owner.

29/06 followed up with [redacted] as it was taking to long.
16/07 after investigating found the dog owner and dog. Krishan chased his [redacted] up for the statement and was very compliant.
27/07 PIP statement received and visited [redacted] for [redacted] medical release. [redacted] was very agitated that the dog hadn't been put down yet.

On the 30th of July I send an email to Kirshan with the following:

Signature: [redacted]

Hi Krishan,
Following a meeting with our Animal Control Principal Specialist, it has been determined that your dog must be seized in relation to the recent dog attack investigation.
This decision has been made due to the seriousness of the incident, with the victim requiring hospital treatment and plastic surgery as a result of the injuries sustained from the bite.
Arrangements will now need to be made for the dog to be taken into our custody. We can collect the dog from your property, or alternatively, you may bring the dog to our animal shelter/facility by arrangement.
Please contact me as soon as possible to discuss the surrender of the dog and to arrange a suitable time for collection or delivery.
Once the dog has been seized, further assessment and consideration of the case will take place. A decision will then be made as to whether the dog will be classified as dangerous under the relevant legislation or whether the matter will proceed through the Court.
If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact me directly.
Kind regards,

Jenn
Animal Control Officer

Waikato District Council
Te Kaunihera aa Takiwaa o Waikato
Nama waea: 07 824 8633 | **Waea puukoro:** 0800 492 452
Poutaapeta Mahi: Private Bag 544, Ngaruawahia

After receiving all the documents and concluding my investigation On Friday the 31st of July I had called the dog owner as per his reaction to my email and explained the process after a meeting with Phill Greeves we decided to Seize the dog for 57, The dog owner was asked to sign a statement form where he admitted he thinks the dog could be dangerous when it would feel the need to protect its home. while we waited for the statement and the dog was seized ACO 11 ACO 40 and 2 officers from Auckland conducted a property inspection so that if the dog was released under conditions, we could do so. The dog owner had 2 fences to fix so we took the dog to the pound (Tuakau office). the dog owner fixed the fence and i send through proof to my team leader Craig. He approved we could classify the dog as dangerous and the dog may return home. In a month we would check the property to see if it was suitable for the dog to be kept with the dangerous classification.

23rd of August I received and email from Kirshan with the photo's of Ratu's compound and everything sufficed for me, I did clarify this with Phill and all was approved.

Signature:	[redacted]

ACO DECLARATION

This statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have made the statement knowing that it may be used in court proceedings and that I could be prosecuted for perjury for making a statement known by me to be false and intended by me to mislead.

ACO Full Name	Jenn Laamers				
ACO Signature	[redacted]				
ACO Number	~~40~~	**Date**	29/09/2026	**Time**	11:30AM

COMPLAINANT STATEMENT

Waikato DISTRICT COUNCIL

CRM#: DOGS4656/26
Animal ID: Auckland ID
Offender ID: [redacted]
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)* 14 June 2026 at *(time)* 3:30pm
- ☐ Familiar with the dog(s)
- ☒ Seen it / them confined on property at *(address)* [redacted] Tuakau
- ☐ 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.)*	[redacted]

PERSONAL DETAILS

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

Title	[redacted]	**Date of birth**	[redacted]
Name	[redacted]		
Address	[redacted]		
	Tuakau		
Home phone	[redacted]	**Work phone**	
Mobile phone			
Email	[redacted]		

DOG DETAILS

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

Dog 1		**Dog 2**	
Gender	Unknown	**Gender**	
Size	Large	**Size**	
Ears	Unknown	**Ears**	
Tail	Unknown	**Tail**	
Breed	Shar Pei Cross	**Breed**	
Colour	Tan and Brown	**Colour**	
Collar	Unknown	**Collar**	
ID features		**ID features**	

Date of Incident: 14 June 2026	**Time of Incident: Approximately 3:30pm**
Location of Incident: [redacted]uaku	

COMPLAINANT STATEMENT

My name is [redacted] and I am making this statement to ACO40 on the 17th of June 2026 at 3:00PM. On Sunday the 14th of June at around 3.30PM, I had some friends over at my house, [redacted] Tuakau. I went out of my house onto our driveway to great some visitors and on looking at the street, I saw [redacted] who lives on [redacted] Tuakau. [redacted] called out to me, and I walked over to [redacted] property to talk to [redacted] where the road ends and becomes gravel. I stopped because I saw a dog on my left-hand side but standing close to [redacted] I asked [redacted] if the dog was friendly and [redacted] said "Yes", but because I wanted to talk to [redacted], I took two more steps and stopped again because I didn't want to be in the dog's face. At this point the dog was approximately two meters away for me. Without any indication of aggression and out of nowhere the dog leapt up and grabbed my arm. The dog was on a long rope that [redacted] was holding. When he bit my arm, I must've pulled it away and I said "Oh, God" and [redacted] said, "He didn't bite you did he?" and I said, "Yes he did". I then left and ran back to my house to get help. I received some first aid from a neighbour who said I needed proper medical help. I went to Pukekohe A&E and was then taken to Middlemore

Signature: [redacted]

COMPLAINANT STATEMENT *(continued)*

Hospital where I was kept overnight. I was given Amoxicillin antibiotics, Ibuprofen anti-inflammatories and Paracetamol painkillers. I was admitted to the Plastic Surgery department where they cut away some skin from the wound area and covered the wound area with skin taken from my right thigh. I was discharged with the advice that I see my regular Doctor for check ups of the injury site. I have signed Animal Controls Medical Release form so they may get my treatment records from Pukekohe A&E and Middlemore Hospital.

Signature: [redacted]

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	[redacted]
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	10/8/26

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)*		[redacted] Tuakau			
ACO Full Name		Jenn Laamers			
ACO Signature		[redacted]			
ACO Number	40	**Date**	17 June 2026	**Time**	3:00pm

INJURY INFORMATION SHEET – PERSON

INJURIES

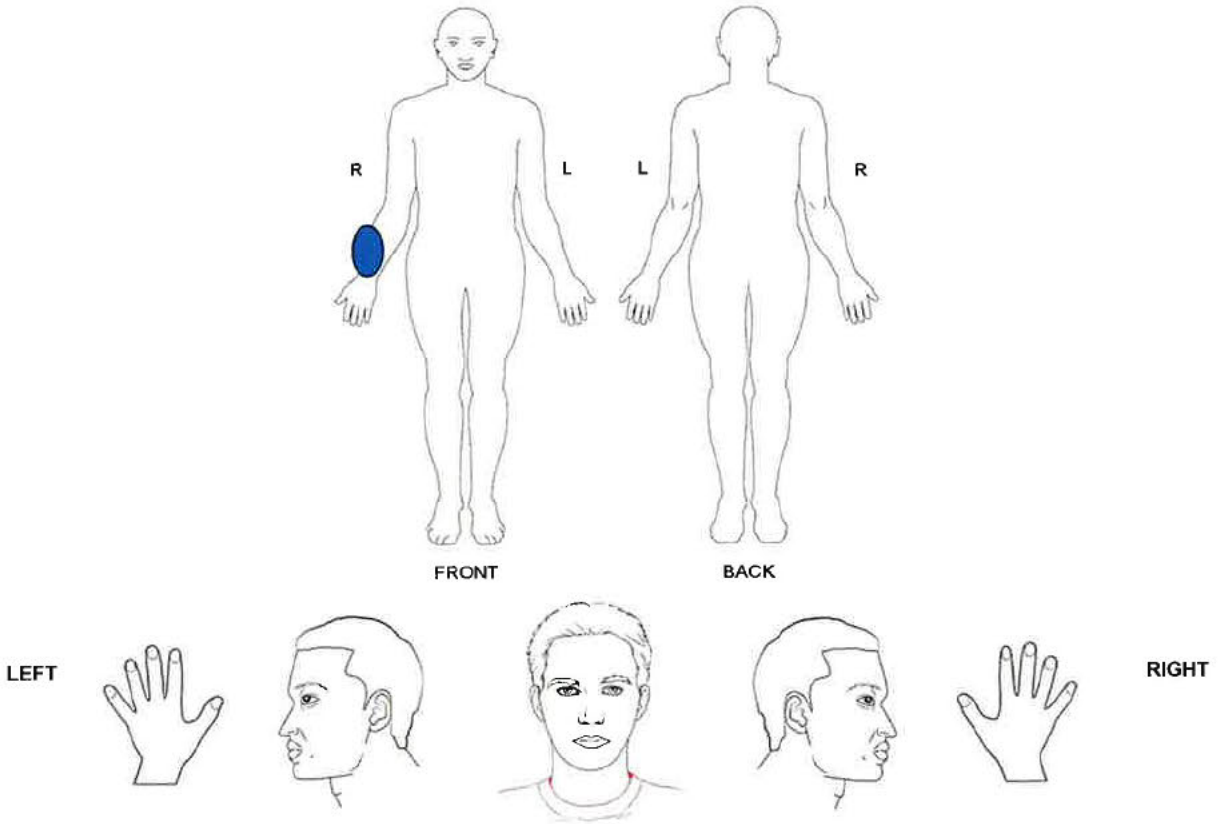
Did you / the victim *(delete one)* receive injuries?

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

Describe your / the victim's *(delete one)* injuries

Dog bite to right forearm

DIAGRAMS



MEDICAL TREATMENT

Did you / the victim *(delete one)* seek medical treatment following the incident?

☐ No ☒ Yes	Date	14 June 2026	Time	4:00pm

Where did you / the victim *(delete one)* receive treatment? *(attach medical bills / invoices)*

Pukekohe A&E and Middlemore Hospital	Medical costs	$

Describe the medical treatment you / the victim *(delete one)* received

Wound cleaned and covered at Pukekohe A&E then admitted to the Plastic Surgery department at Middlemore Hospital. Was given painkillers, anti-inflammatories, and antibiotics. Skin was taken from my right thigh to cover the wound.



1. Photograph taken by [redacted] on 14/6/26 at 3:30
2. Photographs shows right underarm
3. Photograph taken at 3:35
4. This photograph has not been altered in any way

Signature [redacted]



1. Photograph taken by Superclinic Doctor on 23/6/26 at 12:03 p.m
2. Photographs shows right underarm
3. Photograph taken at Super Clinic
4. This photograph has not been altered in any way

Signature [redacted]

Waikato District Council
Te Kaunihera aa Takiwaa o Waikato

Medical release – Authorisation notice

URGENT ATTENTION:

Dear Sir/Madam,

Full name: [redacted]

Address: [redacted] Tuakau Postcode: [redacted]

Home Ph: _____ Mobile Ph: [redacted]

I , *(full name)* [redacted]

give authorisation to release a full copy of all medical records relating to my/(minor's name) treatment

from: *(date)* 14 June 2012 to: *(date)* 15 June

to Waikato District Council for legal purposes.

Yours faithfully,

Signed: [redacted] Date: [redacted]
(injured party)

Signed by parent or guardian: _____ Date: _____
(if injured party is under the age of 18)

Parent or guardian name in full: _____

Important privacy information
The personal information that you provide in this form will be held and protected by Waikato District Council in accordance with our privacy policy (available at www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz/privacy and at our libraries and service centres) and with the Privacy Act 1993. Our privacy policy explains how we may use and share your personal information in relation to any interaction you have with the council, and how you can access and correct that information. We recommend you familiarise yourself with this policy.

Please return this form to:

15 Galileo Street
Private Bag 544
Ngaruawahia 3742

Attention: ACO.....
Email: animal.control@waidc.govt.nz

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ATTN PRIMARY CARE: If you received this in error or the patient is not enrolled with your practice, return via CareConnect 'Administrative Service' eReferral. Ensure National Enrolment Service (NES) is accurate so communication is directed correctly

Te Whatu Ora
Health New Zealand
Counties Manukau

Middlemore Hospital

Transfer of Care to GP

Plastic Surgery

(Plastic Surgery/Hand Template)

[redacted]

Accident ID: WY68414
Ref No: 400970751

To GP: [redacted]
Pukekohe Family Health Care Limited, 10 West Street,
Private Bag 15, Pukekohe 2340
New Zealand
Cc:
Discharged To: Home/Routine

Admitted:	14/06/2026 23:40	**Discharged On:**	15/06/2026 14:50
		Ward/Location:	The National Burn Centre
		Discharge Method:	Routine

Advice To Primary Care

- Thank you for accepting the ongoing care of this patient, we have no specific advice

Advice to Patient and Caregiver

- If you become unwell, contact Healthline for advice on 0800 611 116 or your GP/Family Doctor.
- If you are unable to access urgent medical care, please phone an ambulance on 111.
- IV Luer: You had an intravenous line (a plastic tube inserted into a vein) during your hospital stay. Please check this area regularly while it heals. If you notice redness, swelling, pain or feeling hot and cold (have a fever), seek urgent medical attention.

Diagnoses

Primary Diagnosis:

- Dog bite R) forearm

Significant Procedures

Primary Procedure:

- Debridement R forearm dog bite + STSG

Allergy Details

Substance	Reaction	Onset Date	Severity	New This Admission?	Source
[redacted]					

Adverse Drug Reactions

- Patient has no known ADRs

Substance	Reaction	Onset Date	Severity	New This Admission?	Source
[redacted]					

Medication

This patient has not undergone Medication Reconciliation

Discharge Medications (3)	Indication
paracetamol 500 mg tablet 1g PO QID PRN Unknown Duration 100 tabs (Provide Script on discharge)	Pain
ibuprofen 200 mg tablet 400mg PO TDS PRN	Pain

Te Whatu Ora
Health New Zealand

Middlemore Hospital
Private Bag 93311, Otahuhu, Auckland
Telephone: 64-9-276 0000

Plastic, Reconstructive and Hand Surgery
Acute Operation Note

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO PRIMARY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS:
If you believe that you have received this information in error, or this patient is not enrolled in your practice please return this letter to the Clinical Records Department by email to CRSGPUpdates@middlemore.co.nz

Re: [redacted]

DOB: [redacted]

Phone: [redacted]

Date Authored: 15/06/2026
Date of Operation: 15/06/2026
Typist: Mcgillivray, S

Responsible Consultant: MOAZZAM Team

Ward:
Pre-Op Diagnosis:
Post-Op Diagnosis:
Operation: **Debridement of right forearm dog bite + split thickness skin graft (donor right thigh)**
Implant:
Preparation: Betadine (forearm); 2% Chlorhexidine (donor)
Special Equipment:
Tourniquet Time: N/A
Antibiotic Cover: IV Augmentin on ward
Surgeon(s): Dr Nikita Quinn, Dr Mia Kelly
Assistant(s):
Anaesthetist:
Anaesthetic: Local anaesthetic (30ml of 1% Lidocaine with adrenaline)

Copied from Clinical Portal "Snapshot" Notes

Injury Code:

Injury site	Structure	Description	Procedure
L	I	Q	R, E1

Indications:
Dog bite to R mid dorsal forearm yesterday.
Approx 3x3.5cm area of skin loss - wound down to subcutaneous fat.
Structurally intact.

Procedure:
Sterile prep + drape as above.
Wound sharply debrided down to fresh healthy fat.
Gentle curettage.
Through saline + Betadine wash 2L total.

Plastic, Reconstructive and Hand Surgery
Plastic / Hand Surgery Clinic Letter

Health New Zealand
Te Whatu Ora

Counties Manukau
Private Bag 93311, Otahuhu, Auckland
Telephone: 64-9-276 0000

[redacted]
Tuakau [redacted]

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO PRIMARY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS:
If you believe that you have received this information in error, or this patient is not enrolled in your practice please return this letter to the Clinical Records Department by email to CRSGPUpdates@middlemore.co.nz

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Typist: Farrar, P
Date of Clinic: 23/06/2026
Date Authored: 23/06/2026

Dear Dr [redacted]

Re: [redacted]

DOB: [redacted]

Phone:

Responsible Consultant: A/Prof Michelle Locke

Diagnosis:

1. One dog bite
    - Debridement and split thickness skin graft on 15/06/2026

It was a pleasure to meet [redacted] daughter in clinic this morning. [redacted] has been doing well since we last saw [redacted] and today we are doing a graft check.

On examination, the graft has 100% taken, and the surroundings look healthy.

The graft at this stage has taken; however, remains fairly fragile. Therefore, we will dress it with a Bactigras dressing and get district nurses to change this. [redacted] will also need donor site check-in in two weeks post-op. After a week, if the graft still continues to look good, we may be able to start redressing this with Hyperfix, and [redacted] can moisturise with this. We will bring [redacted] back to clinic in about 2-3 weeks' time to monitor [redacted] progress, and should things go well, we should be able to discharge [redacted] at this point.

Plan:

1. For a district nurse referral for a donor site check and change of dressing on graft site
2. For clinic follow-up in 2-3 weeks' time

Yours sincerely

Authorised electronically prior to distribution.

Aileen Zhang
Registrar - Plastic, Reconstructive, and Hand Surgery

Name [redacted]
NHI
Gender
Date of Birth
Printed by **Mouena Ng Chok (CMD)**

Forearm R *Accepted by Jade Lau Young (CMD)*

Order created by	Copies sent to	Department	Placer's Ref 1	Placer's Ref 2	Filler's Order #	Placer Order #	Placer Group #	Order Location	Requestor	Specimen Collected	Report produced
Pan (CMD), Marcus (Mu-Ming)	LOCKE, Michelle	MMHRAD	29265755	EC-C	AAB07191949U	AAB07191949U	AAB07191949	WRA-C	LOCKE, Michelle	14/06/26 21:31	02/07/26 07:55

To: Michelle Locke

Cc:

NHI: [redacted]
Patient:
DOB:

Patient Referred from: Emergency Department MMH
Exam performed at: Middlemore Hospital Radiology
Reference: M2606140298
Date of exam: 14/06/2026
Examination(s): Forearm R

History of right forearm dog bite.

No radiopaque foreign body or bone injury.

Radiologist(s):
Jennifer DONALD Consultant Radiologist
Jennifer DONALD Consultant Radiologist

Report status: Validated / : Jennifer Donald

Clinical Information
R) forearm dog bite Question: ? Fracture ? Foreign Body

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CLINICAL NOTES

NHI Number: [redacted]

Family Name: [redacted] **First Name:** [redacted]

Clinical Notes

☐ **Pain Priority**	☑ Analgesia	☐ Bloods	☐ PIVL	☐ Urinalysis	☐ ECG	☐ Neurological Observations	
	☑ Radiology	☐ IV Fluids	☐ Strict FBC	☐ Antiemetic	☐ PBC	☐ HCG	☐ Neurovascular observations

Pathways to consider *(document separately when completed)*

☐ qSOFA	☐ Asthma	☐ Chest Pain	☐ Stroke call	☐ Dental	☐ Diabetic	☐ Fast Track Hip Injury	☐ Behavioural Disturbance

Safety Checks *(for Smoking assessment complete in eVitals; Alcohol screening complete sticker in eNotes)*

Falls risk	☑ No risk	☐ History of Falls	☐ Unsteady	☐ Falls *(recent)*	*complete HUF e-sticker if H, U or F is ticked*	
PI R.I.S.K.	☑ No risk	☐ Reduce mobility	☐ Incontinence	☐ Skin fragile /frail	☐ Key perfusion issues	
	complete ED Pressure Injury Risk Template if R, I, S or K is ticked					
SFV	☐ Y	☑ U	☐ +	☐ -	☐ PH	☐ PRA
Mental status	☑ N/A	☐ Confused	☐ Agitated	☐ Behaviour of Concern	☐ Care partner requested	☐ Family insitu
Self harm	☑ N/A	☐ No risk	☐ Current risk	☐ Care partner requested	☐ Family insitu	
Weapons/drug search	☑ N/A	☐ Yes	**if yes**, by whom/when:		☐ No	
Police	☑ N/A	☐ Section 109	☐ Under arrest *(police remain with patient)*			
	Job number:	Officer name:	Contact number:	☐ Swipe Card Given		

Care/Referrals, as required

Appropriate for ED Standing Orders	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A	**Mobility**	☐ Independent ☐ Assist ☐ Full cares ☐ Care partner required
Bed	☐ Ward ☐ Bariatric ☐ Fit to sit (Lazy-boy or chair)	**Mobility Equipment**	☐ Walking frame ☐ Wheel chair ☐ Crutches ☐ Cane/walking stick
Diet	☐ NBM ☐ Other:	**Referrals**	☐ Te Amo Huia 59943
Interpreter booked	☐ Yes - confirmed language:	Time booked for:	

DOCTOR NOTE - Plastics (SAU) (#56012266)

Author: Sahan Maddumage (Plastics Registrar) Date: 15/06/26 01:06

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CLINICAL NOTES

NHI Number: [redacted]

Family Name: [redacted] **First Name:** [redacted]

Plastics (Non - Burn) Nursing Note

Bed Rails	down
Bowel/Bladder	indepe UTT
Diet / NBM status	can E + D
Neurovascular Obs	Intact
Pain Assessment	pain score- 2/10, PRN analgesia given
Social History	[redacted]
Hearing Aids / Glasses / Dentures	[redacted]

Intervention

Received patient from ED on BED @ 0300
Introduced self and Ward orientation given
Instructed patient to keep NBM but [redacted]oiced not planning to do the surgery
Admission checklist completed + MROs done
Pt voiced allergic [redacted]
Patient voiced [redacted] but no hospitalisation.
As per pts handover notes team requested to contact ID [redacted] but [redacted]
Obs chceeked and recorded
voiced pain, due analgesic given with good effect
Nil other concerns
call bell kept within reach

Evaluation

STS 0200
IV Abx
To complete waterlow assessment
R) arm elevation

TrendCare actualised?

☑ Yes ☐ No

PLASTICS ACUTES (MOAZZAM, Amber) - Plastics (WD-TNBC) (#56018748)

Author: Ell Lee (House Officer) Date: 15/06/26 08:10

ACUTES PLASTICS CWR - MOAZZAM

Dog bite to R) forearm

Hx
Explained plan for Washout + debridement +/- skin graft
Explained this under LA so can e+d

Nil acute concerns raised

Clinical Notes

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CLINICAL NOTES

NHI Number: [redacted]

Family Name: [redacted] First Name: [redacted]

Preparation used: Betadine to forearm, 2% chlorhex to donor
Tourniquet time: NA
Antibiotics: IV augmentin on ward

Surgeon/s: N Quinn, M Kelly
Anaesthetist/s: N Quinn
Anaesthetic given: 30ml 1% lido/adr

Acute hand coding:
LIQE1

Indications:
Dog bite to R mid dorsal forearm yesterday
Approx 3x3.5cm area of skin loss - wound down to subcutaneous fat
Structurally intact

Sterile prep + drape as above
Wound sharply debrided down to fresh healthy fat
Gentle currettage
Through saline + betadine wash 2L total
3x puncutre wounds over proximal forearm also washed saline + betadine
Haemostasis
STSG harvested from R thigh - 8/10000th inch
Manually fenestrated
Inset 5/0 vicryl rapide
Dressed bactigras / multi layer gauze / hypafix / softban / one step / crepe
Kalostat / dry PU / hypafix to donor

Plan:
1.Return to ward
2. Transfer to Moazzam team
3. Aim home this afternoon after next dose of IV antibiotics
4. PO augmentin on discharge
5. Arm elevation
6. Keep dressings clean and dry
7. MSC nurse clinic 1/52 for graft check

OT STANDARD NOTE - Allied Health (WD-TNBC) (#56034942)

Author: Nicole Bam (Occupational Therapist) Date: 15/06/26 14:38

Occupational Therapy Standard Note

Notes reviewed ☑ Role/plan explained ☑ Consent Obtained ☑

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CLINICAL NOTES

NHI Number: [redacted]

Family Name: [redacted] First Name: [redacted]

Plastics (Non - Burn) Nursing Note

		15/06/26 08:19 (EWS: 1)	15/06/26 13:52 (EWS: 3)
EWS	blood pressure	137 / 74	130 / 89
	HR	70	95
	Temp	35.7	35.9
	Resp	16	16
	SPO_2	96	95
	Pain (Rest)	0 / 10	0 / 10
	Pain (Mvmt)	0 / 10	0 / 10
	CNS	Alert	Alert
	Urine	PU	PU

4AT	Patient received alert and awake on bed
PIVL ☑ - Refer to eVitals	intact on left arm
CVAD ☐ -Refer to CLAB form	-
Wound/cast/drain	dressing intact
VTE prophylaxis	-
Skin Integrity	intact
Personal Cares	had shower and change of clothes this shift
Mobility	independent
Bed Rails	bedrails down as per patient request
Bowel/Bladder	[redacted]
Diet / NBM status	eating and drinking well
Neurovascular Obs	-
Pain Assessment	nil complain of pain - regular analgesia given
Social History	[redacted]
Hearing Aids / Glasses / Dentures	-

Intervention

- Due charted medication given
- Call bell within reach ofthe patient
- Patient had SSTG done under local today - dressing intact
- Patient for discharge today after next dose intravascular antibiotics
- Discharge papers already request via medtasker
- Nil other concerns noted

Evaluation

- Discharge today after next intravascular antibiotics

TrendCare actualised?

☑ Yes ☐ No

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Name: Ratu	**TA Dog Id:** [redacted]	Born: 12/2021 (M/YYYY)	Kept at address: [redacted] DRURY
Predominant breed: Mastiff, Neapolitan	Predominant colour: Tan	**Gender:** Male	**De-sexed:** No
Secondary breed: Shar Pei	**Secondary colour:** Black	**Classification:**	Classification Section:
Distinguishing marks:	Standard microchip #: [redacted]	Status: Currently In District	**Dog alert:** No
Permanent identifier:	Other microchip #:	Deactivated **reason:**	Destruction Order Date: (D/M/YYYY)
TA: **Auckland Council**	**Registration #:** [redacted]	Year **of** Registration: 2026/2027	Dog ID [redacted]

[redacted]

First name:	Middle name(s):	Surname:	TA Owner Id:
Krishan		Mudaliar	2600956224

Address one:	Address two:	E-mail:	Date of birth:
[redacted]		kgmud99@gmail.com	[redacted] (D/M/YYYY)

Home phone #:	Work phone #:	Mobile phone #:
[redacted]		

Classification:	Classification Section:	Classification expiry:	Safety alert:
		(D/M/YYYY)	No

TA:	National infringement count:	Protected status:
Auckland Council	0	No

Name ID : [redacted]

Re: Dog attack

Krishan Mudalia [redacted]

Krishan Mudaliar

Jenn Laamers

Hi Jenn,

We saw [redacted] on the weekend and got [redacted] statement. Please find the document attached.

If there's anything else you need please let me know.

Regards,

Krishan Mudaliar

On 22 Jul 2026, at 16:50, Krishan Mudaliar [redacted] wrote:

Hi Jenn,

Thanks again for the information you've provided. I'll get [redacted] to write up [redacted] statement and will send it to you hopefully by the end of the week.

Regards,

Krishan Mudaliar

On 21 Jul 2026, at 13:43, Jenn Laamers [redacted] wrote:

Hi Krishan,

In terms of the Council's investigation, once I have collected all of the available evidence, including any witness statements, the matter will be presented to Council for a decision. The timeframe can vary depending on how quickly all relevant information is received and assessed.

There are a number of possible outcomes. One outcome is that an infringement may be issued in relation to the incident, and Council may decide not to classify the dog.

Alternatively, Council may decide to classify the dog. If a dog is classified, that classification remains in place for the lifetime of the dog. Once Council has made its decision, you have the right to formally object to or contest that decision through the relevant process.

At this stage, we are still waiting on your [redacted] statement. If you could please provide this as soon as possible, it will allow us to progress the investigation and move the matter forward.

I hope this helps explain the process. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards

Jenn
Animal Control Officer

Waikato District Council
Te Kaunihera aa Takiwaa o Waikato

Nama waea: 07 824 8633 | **Waea puukoro:** 0800 492 452
Poutaapeta Mahi: Private Bag 544, Ngaruawahia 3742
Waahi Mahi: 15 Galileo Street, Ngaruawahia

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From: Krishan Mudaliar [redacted]
Sent: Monday, July 20, 2026 2:01 PM
To: Jenn Laamers [redacted]
Subject: Re: Dog attack

Hi Jenn,

I talked to my [redacted] at the end of last week and [redacted] said [redacted] replied to your emails, just checking you received [redacted] emails? [redacted] also said that [redacted] be back at the end of this week and will be able to write [redacted] statement then.

In terms of the council's investigation what are the steps/timeframes and the possible actions the council will take.

Regards,

Krishan Mudaliar

On 16 Jul 2026, at 15:00, Krishan Mudaliar [redacted] wrote:

Thank you so much for all the information, really good to know as this is the first time my dog has had this behaviour.

I will chase my [redacted] up, do you have a deadline for his statement?

Also is the classification of the dog around for the entirety of its life or is it around for a certain amount of time without an incident?

Regards,

Krishan Mudaliar

On 16 Jul 2026, at 14:25, Jenn Laamers [redacted] wrote:

Hi Krishan,

Thank you for your email.

I have attached the statement form for you to complete once you have had an opportunity to speak with your [redacted].

However it is important the statement comes from him as he was with your dog when the incident happened.

Regarding your questions about a possible Menacing Dog classification:

What are the implications if my dog is classified as a Menacing Dog?

Under the **Dog Control Act 1996**, if a dog is classified as menacing, the owner must ensure the dog is **muzzled when in a public place or any place that is not private property**. The dog must also continue to be under effective control at all times. Depending on the circumstances and Council requirements, the dog may also be required to be **neutered**. These requirements remain in place unless the classification is successfully overturned.

If I wish to contest the classification, what evidence would be required?

Should a Menacing Dog classification be issued, the notification letter will explain your right to object under the **Dog Control Act 1996**. Any objection should set out the reasons why you believe the classification should not apply and include any supporting information you wish Council to consider.

Examples of supporting evidence may include:

- A written statement from your father and any witnesses to the incident.
- Statements from individuals familiar with the dog's behaviour.
- Veterinary or behavioural assessments.
- Information about the circumstances surrounding the incident.
- Evidence of training, management measures, or other steps taken to prevent future incidents.
- Any other information you believe is relevant to demonstrating that the dog does not pose a threat to people or animals.

If a classification is made, the formal objection process and associated timeframes will be included in the notification provided to you.

For us it's really important to get that statement from your father so we know exactly what happened as we only have a one-sided story at the moment.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Kind regards,

Jenn
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From: Krishan Mudaliar [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2026 12:43 PM

To: Jenn Laamers [redacted]
Subject: Re: Dog attack

Thanks for the explanation Jenn.

Would you be able to send me the statement form as well so that I can fill it out after talking to my [redacted]? [redacted] might not be in the country until next month.

If my dog is classified as a “Menacing Dog”, what are the implications of this going forward?

If I were to contest this, once you let me know the final decision, what sort of evidence would be required?

Regards,

Krishan Mudaliar

On 16 Jul 2026, at 12:27, Jenn Laamers [redacted] wrote:

Hi Krishan,

I am writing regarding the ongoing investigation into the incident involving your dog and the attack on a neighbor while the dog was in the care of your [redacted], which resulted in a serious injury.

As part of our investigation, I have sent [redacted] a statement form. It would be beneficial for your [redacted] to provide a statement so that we can fully understand the circumstances of the incident from [redacted] side. We want to ensure that all relevant information is considered before any decisions are made.

Based on the evidence collected so far, it is likely that your dog will meet the criteria for a **Menacing Dog Classification**. However, this classification can be challenged. If you wish to contest the classification, we will need evidence demonstrating why your dog should not be considered menacing.

Please be aware that under the **Dog Control Act 1996**, dogs are expected to be kept under control at all times, and a dog should not bite or attack a person regardless of the circumstances. The severity of the injury sustained by the victim is a significant factor in our assessment of this matter.

To ensure your perspective is taken into account, I encourage you and your [redacted] to complete and return your statements as soon as possible. Any information or evidence you wish us to consider should be included with your response.

If you have any questions regarding the investigation or the statement process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Jenn
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From: Krishan Mudaliar [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2026 10:16 AM
To: Jenn Laamers [redacted]
Subject: Re: Dog attack

Hi Jenn,

That would be because [redacted] not in the country.

Happy to chat, [redacted] did tell me someone would be in touch.

Regards,

Krishan Mudaliar

On 16 Jul 2026, at 09:03, Jenn Laamers [redacted] wrote:

Hi Krishan,

On Sunday the 14th of June you dog has been involved in a attack while being in the care of your [redacted].

We would like to speak with you about the incident that has happened.

Your [redacted] is not replying to me email so please contact us as soon as possible.

Kind regards,

Jenn
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PERSON IN POSSESSION (PIP)

Waikato District Council

CRM# DOGS 4656/26
Animal ID [redacted]
Offender ID [redacted]
Property ID

DOCUMENTS
(Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Caution, statement & declaration
- ☐ Notes of conversation
- ☐ Prior history
- ☐ System information printouts
- ☐ Owner classifications
- ☐ Dog details
- ☐ Dog classifications
- ☐ Photos of property
- ☐ Photos of dog(s)
- ☐ Correspondence and other:

Date of Incident: 14/01/2026	Location of Incident: TUAKAU

PIP DETAILS			
Title	Mr	Date of birth	[redacted]
Name	[redacted]		
Address	[redacted] Tuakau		
Home phone		Work phone	
Mobile phone	[redacted]		
Email	[redacted]		
Place of work	Self-employed		

DOG DETAILS: DOG 1							
Name	Ratu Mudaliar				Dog ID	[redacted]	
Breed	Shar Pei / Neopolitan Mastiff						
Colour	Tan / Black						
Gender	Male				De-sexed	Yes	
Age	4	year	6	months	Microchip No	[redacted]	
Registered	☐ No	☑ Yes		Year	2022	Council	Auckland
Notes							

DOG DETAILS: DOG 2							
Name					Dog ID		
Breed							
Colour							
Gender					De-sexed		
Age		year		months	Microchip No		
Registered	☐ No	☐ Yes		Year		Council	
Notes							

DOG DETAILS: DOG 3							
Name					Dog ID		
Breed							
Colour							
Gender					De-sexed		
Age		year		months	Microchip No		
Registered	☐ No	☐ Yes		Year		Council	
Notes							

PIP CAUTION

CAUTION

(Pursuant to the Chief Justice Practice Note dated 16 July 2007 and section 30 of the Evidence Act 2006)

I have been advised of the following:

- I have the right to refrain from making a statement and to remain silent, and
- I have the right to consult and instruct a lawyer without delay and in private before deciding whether to answer questions; and
- anything I say will be recorded and may be used as evidence.

I understand this caution and my rights and I **AM** / ~~**AM NOT**~~ *(delete one)* prepared to make a statemen [redacted]

Signature: [redacted]

PIP STATEMENT

I was looking after my [redacted] dog for the day. In the morning, on 14 June 2026, my [redacted] came over to the house to give me an invite to a street party they were going to hold at their place. I said I wouldn't be able to come because I had the dog with me. The dog was inside the house with me, every hour I took the dog on the lead for a walk around the property every hour. On the walk around 4pm [redacted] saw me walking the dog and because [redacted] wanted came on to the property to meet the dog and wanted to ask me to again to join the gathering. ~~[illegible]~~ [redacted] asked me how the dog is and I told [redacted] I wasn't sure about him meeting new people without my [redacted] Ratu was still on the lead this whole time in the front of my property. [redacted] told me it would be okay because [redacted] knows dogs. [redacted] was holding a wine glass in one hand and then said [redacted] wouldn't make eye contact and walked past Ratu while holding [redacted] hand out infront of Ratu's face. Ratu then bit [redacted] once and then quickly let go on his own. It was only a fraction of a second. [redacted] realised [redacted] was bit after e.g

Signature: [redacted]

PIP STATEMENT *(continued)*

a few seconds and then [redacted] quickly left back to [redacted] house and went to A&E. I was very concerned and sent [redacted] texts to check up on [redacted] through the day.

[redacted]

Signature:

PIP STATEMENT (continued)



Signature:

PERSON IN POSSESSION DECLARATION

(Select an option)

I have read this statement and it is true and correct.

OR

I have had this statement read back to me by and it is true and correct.

Name	[redacted] mudaliar [redacted]
Signature	
Date	25/07/2026

INTERPRETER DECLARATION (if applicable)

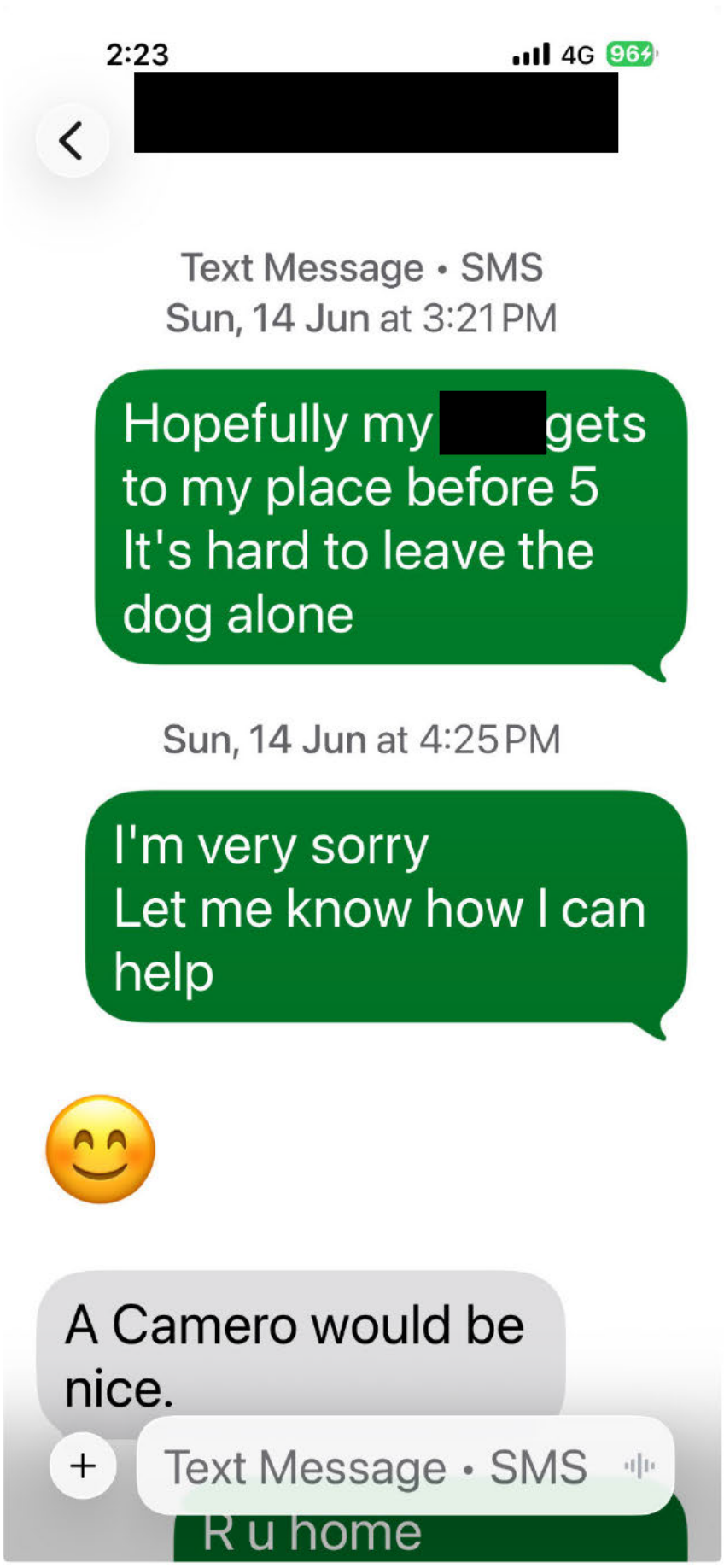
- I know *(name of person in possession)* .....
- He / she *(delete one)* is my *(relationship to person)* .....
- My mother tongue is *(language)* .....
- I can read and speak in English because I *(give a reason, e g attended an English school in NZ, grew up in NZ, etc.)* .....
- On *(date)* ....., 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 person in possession)* ...., who confirmed that the content is true and correct.

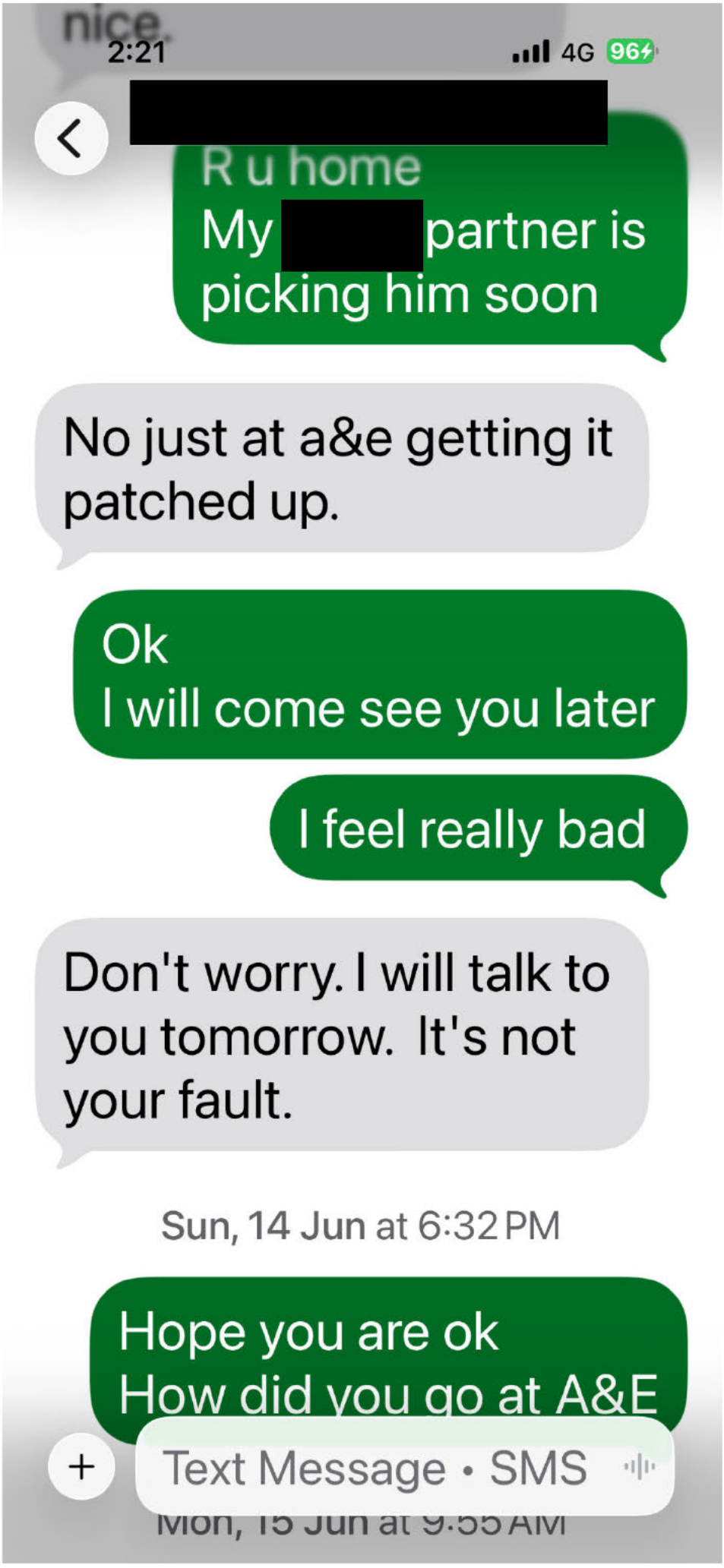
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Date	

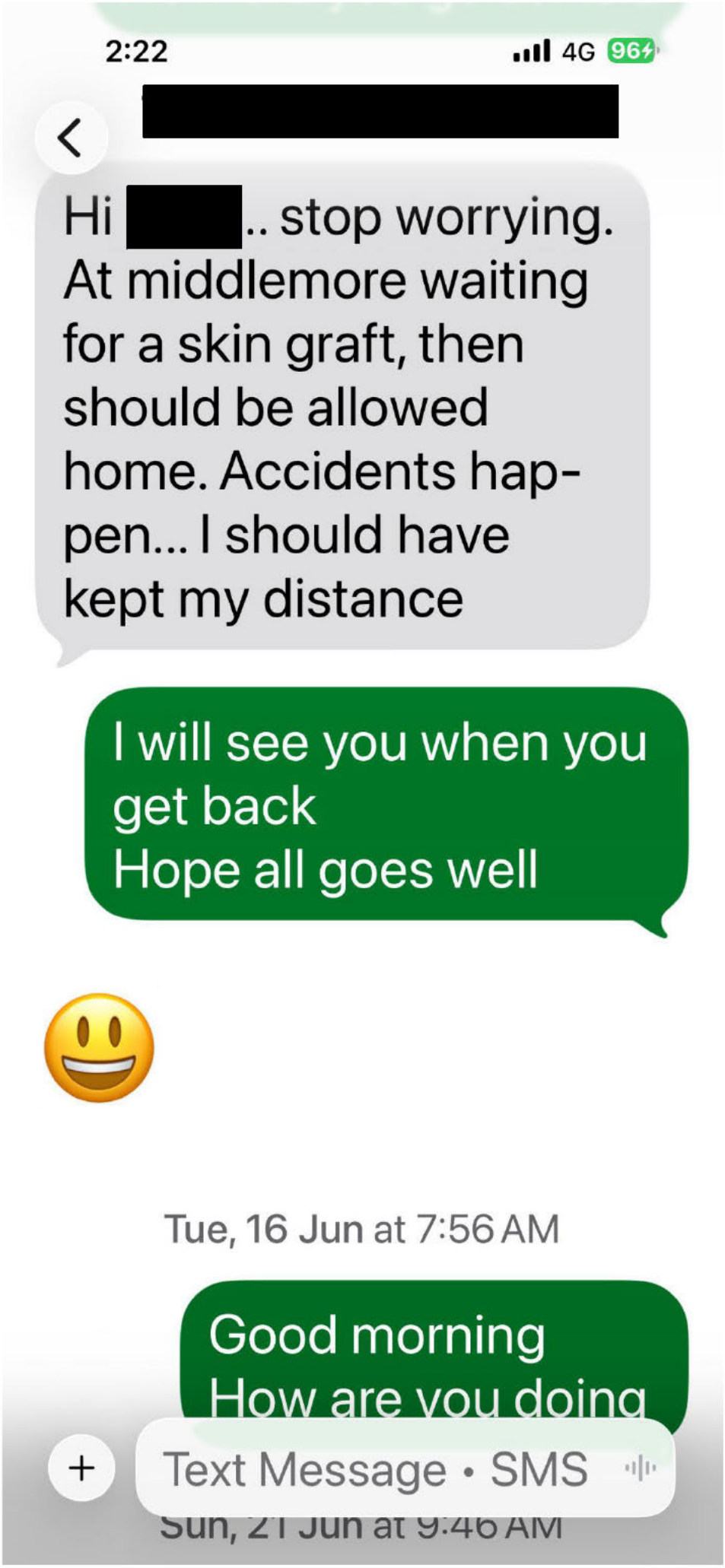
ACO VERIFICATION

Statement recorded at *(place)*				
ACO Full Name		JENN LAAMEKS		
ACO Signature		[redacted]		
ACO Number	40	**Date** 25/7/26	**Time**	10.00AM

Text messages between PIP and Complainant




nice.
2:21
4G
[redacted]
R u home
My [redacted] partner is picking him soon
No just at a&e getting it patched up.
Ok
I will come see you later
I feel really bad
Don't worry. I will talk to you tomorrow. It's not your fault.
Sun, 14 Jun at 6:32 PM
Hope you are ok
How did you go at A&E
Text Message • SMS
Mon, 15 Jun at 9:55 AM


2:22
4G
[redacted]
Hi [redacted].. stop worrying. At middlemore waiting for a skin graft, then should be allowed home. Accidents hap-pen... I should have kept my distance
I will see you when you get back
Hope all goes well
Tue, 16 Jun at 7:56 AM
Good morning
How are you doing
Text Message • SMS
Sun, 21 Jun at 9:46 AM


2:22
4G
[redacted]
Hi [redacted]
Hope you are recover-
ing well
Not too bad [redacted] How's
the weather over there
This time of the year is
really good weather
sunshine nice and cool
at night
I should be back by end
of month
So jealous.. overcast
and cold here
Text Message • SMS


2:22
4G
[redacted]
Just met your lovely [redacted] who came to check up on how I was going. She is delightful
Tue, 23 Jun at 3:53 PM
Hi[redacted].. just had checkup at hospital. Skin Graft has taken beautifully and is mending well. So no need to worry
Oh
Sounds good
Sun, 5 Jul at 8:10 PM
Text Message • SMS

DOG OWNER

CRM# DOG S4656/26
Animal ID 171308
Offender ID 223233
Property ID _____

DOCUMENTS
(Tick all that apply)

- [x] Caution, statement & declaration
- [ ] Current registration form
- [ ] System printouts of dog owner information
- [ ] System printouts of dog information
- [ ] Photos of dog(s)
- [ ] Classifications
- [x] Notices and applications *(Tick all that apply)*
  - [x] Impound Record
  - [x] Seizure notice
  - [x] Section 71 notice
  - [x] Application for release
  - [x] Property inspection and photos
  - [ ] Conditions of release
- [ ] Correspondence and other: _____

Date of Incident: 31/7/26	Location of Incident: [redacted]

DOG OWNER DETAILS			
Title	Mr	**Date of birth**	[redacted]
Name	KRISHAN GOVIND KUMARHAR		
Address	[redacted]		
Home phone		**Work phone**	
Mobile phone	[redacted]		
Email	[redacted]		
Place of work	[redacted] (Wiri, Auckland)		

DOG DETAILS: DOG 1							
Name	Ratu				**Dog ID**		
Breed	Neapolitan mastiff x shar pei						
Colour	Tan						
Gender	Male				**De-sexed**	Yes	
Age	4	*years*	6	*month*	**Microchip No**	900000006716314	
Registered	☐ No ☑ Yes		**Year**	2022	**Council**	Auckland	
Notes							

DOG DETAILS: DOG 2							
Name					**Dog ID**		
Breed							
Colour							
Gender					**De-sexed**		
Age		*years*		*month*	**Microchip No**		
Registered	☐ No ☐ Yes		**Year**		**Council**		
Notes							

DOG DETAILS: DOG 3							
Name					**Dog ID**		
Breed							
Colour							
Gender					**De-sexed**		
Age		*years*		*month*	**Microchip No**		
Registered	☐ No ☐ Yes		**Year**		**Council**		
Notes							

CAUTION

(Pursuant to the Chief Justice Practice Note dated 16 July 2007 and section 30 of the Evidence Act 2006)

I have been advised of the following:

- I have the right to refrain from making a statement and to remain silent; and
- I have the right to consult and instruct a lawyer without delay and in private before deciding whether to answer questions; and
- anything I say will be recorded and may be used as evidence.

I understand this caution and my rights and I **AM** / ~~**AM NOT**~~ *(delete one)* prepared to make a statement.

Signature: [redacted]

DOG OWNER STATEMENT

I feel that Ratu is dangerous when he feels the need to protect his property.

Signature [redacted]

INTERPRETER DECLARATION *(if applicable)*

- I know *(name of dog owner)* .....
- 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 dog owner)* ...., who confirmed that the content is true and correct.

Name of interpreter	
Signature of interpreter	
Date	

DOG OWNER DECLARATION

(Select an option)

☑ I have read this statement and it is true and correct.

OR

☐ I have had this statement read back to me by and it is true and correct.

Name	KRISHAN GOVIND MUDALIAR
Signature	[redacted]
Date	31/07/2026

ACO VERIFICATION

Statement recorded at *(place)*	[redacted]				
ACO Full Name	TEAM LAMERS				
ACO Signature	[redacted]				
ACO Number	40	**Date**	31/7/26	**Time**	11.15

PROPERTY INSPECTION CHECKLIST

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Section 71 of the Dog Control Act 1996

CRM#	Dogs4656/26
Animal ID	171388
Offender ID	223233
Property ID	

Name of Applicant:	KRISHAN MUDALIAR		
Address:	[redacted]		
Home Phone:		Work Phone:	
Mobile Phone:		Email Address:	

Responsible Dog Owner Licence holder (or equivalent): (Yes) No Unknown

Number and breed of dog(s) on the property (if applicable): 1

Name	Breed	Animal ID	Age	Gender	De-sexed
RAJA	NEO MASTIFF X STAFFY	171388	4	M	Y

Type of property (house, flat, unit, etc.): House

Is the driveway / entrance shared? Yes / (No)

Is the property large enough to accommodate the dog? (Yes) / No

Where is the dog kept? in House, confined deck, GARDEN

Is there an outside secure area available where the dog can be contained by fencing? (Yes) / No

If fencing not suitable, is there a compound that can contain the dog? (Yes) / No

Is the fencing appropriate for the breed of dog? (Yes) / No

Is the fence structure sufficient to stop the dog from digging under or forcing a way through? (Yes) / No

What is the fencing made of? WOOD

Is there a suitably secure and properly gated entrance separate from the main entrance? (Yes) / No

Are the gates padlocked to restrict access? (Yes) / No

Are there any items close to the fence that need to be moved? (Bins, tree branches, debris) Yes / (No)

Are there any holes/gaps in the fence? Yes / (No)

If so, where? _____

Is the size of the area sufficient to allow the dog to have reasonable exercise? (Yes) / No

Are there adequate signs in place, e.g. "warning dog on property"? (Yes) / No

If property is not fenced, how will the dog be contained? _____

Are there visual barriers to help prevent the dog being stimulated by other dogs or street activity? **Yes / No**

Have you attached photos of the property? **Yes / No**

Have you attached photos of what needs to be fixed? **Yes / No**

This property inspection has been: **APPROVED** **REJECTED** (please outline reasons why below)

ACO Name:	JENN LAAMERS	ACO Number:	40
Signature:	[redacted]	Date:	31/7/26

RE-INSPECTION:

ACO Name:		ACO Number:	
Signature:		Date:	

New photos included showing changes made? **Yes** **No**

This property inspection has been: **APPROVED** **REJECTED** (please outline reasons why below)

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Photographic Evidence

Property Inspection Date: 31/7/26

Property Inspection Image 01



Property Inspection Image 02



Property Inspection Image 03



Property Inspection Image 04



Re-inspection date: _____

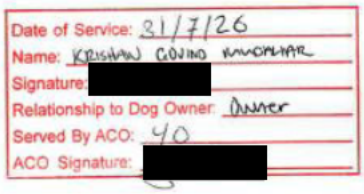
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Re-inspection Image 02

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CRM#	DOGS4656/26
Owner ID	223233
Dog ID	171388



Date: 31 July 2026

Name: Krishan Mudaliar

Address: [redacted]

Address: Drury

Dear Krishan

Notice of Retention of Dog – Section 71, Dog Control Act 1996

Dog ID	**171388**	**Primary Breed**	**Neopolitan Mastiff**
Microchip #	**990000006716314**	**Secondary Breed**	**Shar Pei**
Name	**Ratu**	**Primary Colour**	**Tan**
Gender	**Male**	**Secondary Colour**	**Black**
Age	**4 years old**		
Address where dog is usually kept: [redacted] **Drury**			

This is to notify you that this dog will be retained in custody under section 71 of the Dog Control Act 1996 ("the Act"), pending the conclusion of the prosecution against you for an offence under section 57 of the Act.

Waikato District Council believe that the release of the dog would threaten the safety of any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife.

You may apply at any time to Waikato District Council for the release of the dog.

If Waikato District Council is satisfied that the release of the dog will not threaten the safety of any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal or protected wildlife, the dog will be returned. However, you may be required to pay fees for the sustenance of the dog while it is in custody before it will be released.

If any fees are not paid, Waikato District Council may dispose of the dog by means of sale, destruction, or otherwise. However, the disposal will not relieve you of liability for payment of the fees.

You have a right of appeal to the District Court if Waikato District Council refuses to return the dog.

Please contact your case office on 0800 492 452 for any enquiries.

Yours sincerely

[redacted]

Phil Greeves

Animal Control Principal Specialist

Waikato District Council Animal Control

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Application for Release

Section 71, Dog Control Act 1996

Date Impounded:	31/7/26
CRM#:	DOGS 4656/26
Owner ID:	223233
Dog ID:	171388

To:

Animal Control Team Leader
Waikato District Council

Applicant(s):

Name(s): KRISHAN GOVIND MUDALIAR

Address: [redacted]

Address:

Dog Details			
Dog ID:	171388	Colour:	Tan
Name:	Rafa	Sex:	Male
Breed:	Neopolitan Mastiff x Shar Pei	Microchip#	999000006716314

My dog above is currently being held under Section 71 of the Dog Control Act 1996, at the following pound:

Ngaaruawaahia Dog Pound
16 Brownlee Avenue
Ngaaruawaahia
Phone: 0800 492 452

Note: For your dog to be released, please outline what has been done to ensure your dog will not threaten the safety of any person, stock, poultry, domestic animal, or protected wildlife, and that fencing on the property where the dog is kept is sufficient to ensure the dog does not leave the property.

I wish to apply for my dog's release and request that you take the following into consideration:

This has been my family dog since he was 6-12 weeks old and is very much loved as if he was a member of the family.

He also has a lot of ~~too~~ medical issues that need to be looked after and kept well managed as he has skin allergies and underlying skin infections. Ongoy immunotherapy aswell.

(Use additional A4 paper if required)

[redacted] [redacted] 31/07/2026

Signature of Applicant(s) *Contact Phone* *Application Date*

PEN NUMBER: +1 ACO 40

Date: 31/7/26

Name: RAT A

Breed: VEO MASTIFF X SHAR-PEI

Colour: TAN

Gender: Male---Female (Circle)

Location: [redacted]

Seized: Yes-----No (Circle)

Microchip #: 990000006716314

Requires Microchipping: Yes---No (Circle)

Dog Poled: YES-----NO (Circle)

Weight: 35+

Food: Adult Food / Puppy Food

Tag Colour: RED YELLOW GREEN

Red/Yellow Tag Dogs DO NOT get blankets

ACO Comments:

DOG WAS INVOLVED IN A ATTACK



Classification Decision Making Criteria

Owner ID: ~~317784~~ 223233

Dog ID: 171388

CRM : DOGS4656/26

OWNER RESPONSIBILITY *(How did they react? Did they stop the dog? Were they present? Have they offered to help the victim in any way? Was the dog leashed?)*
Owner wasn't present. PIP was present and assisted Comp
HISTORY *(Any history in Council Database)*
No history with either WDC or Auckland
SERIOUSNESS OF THE INCIDENT *(Was contact made? Was the attack prolonged? What injuries were sustained?*
Injuries were serious. Comp taken to hospital and required skin graphs to injury
VICTIMS VIEWS *(Impact of the Incident on the Victim, and/or ongoing effects of the Incident?)*
Victim changed her story a couple of times and was inconsistent with her version of events but PIP acknowledged the incident did take place
EVIDENCE *(Witness statement provided? Dog identified?)*
Comp has made a statement as well as the PIP. DO is willing to make a statement confirming the dog is dangerous.
REGISTRATION COMPLIANCE *(Was the dog registered at the time? If not, have they registered it since?)*
Dog is currently registered with ACC

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PROPERTY *(Is the property suitable to contain this dog?*
DO's property in Drury is now able to contain the dog after some gate amendments.
MITIGATING RISK *(How the dog owner thinks they can mitigate this sort of behaviour in the future? Physical steps the dog owner has taken?)*
DO will adhere to the conditions of the Dangerous Classification.
ACO REASONING BEHIND CLASSIFICATION
The injury is of a type that is considered serious. Skin graphs had to be made and the injury will have an ongoing cosmetic effect on the comp.

OUTCOME

Discussion between ACO and ~~Team Leader~~ ACPS

Dog Seized/Impounded **Yes/No**

Menacing Classification **Yes/No**

Dangerous Classification **Yes/No**

Infringement **Yes/No**

Prosecution **Yes/No**

[redacted]

31/07/2026

Signed (ACO) [redacted] **Date** 31/7/26

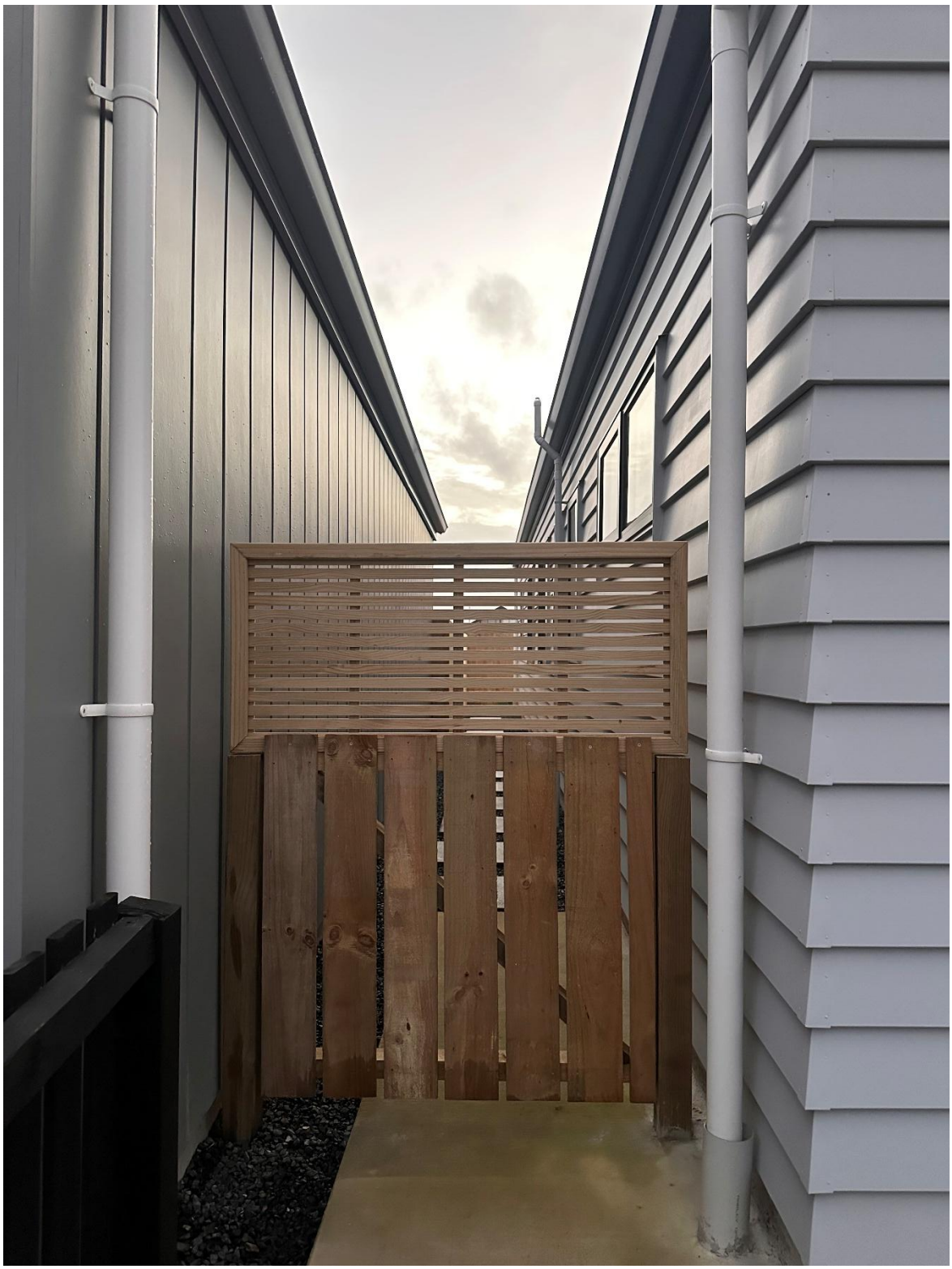
Check List

- Witness Statement
- Officers Statement
- Sworn Evidence (If Dangerous)
- Classification
- Copy of signed classification in ECM
- Classification hand delivered or delivered by registered post

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Photos of Permanent Fence Repairs





On 30 Jul 2026, at 13:49, Jenn Laamers <Jenn.Laamers@waidc.govt.nz> wrote:

Hi Krishan,
Following a meeting with our Animal Control Principal Specialist, it has been determined that your dog must be seized in relation to the recent dog attack investigation.
This decision has been made due to the seriousness of the incident, with the victim requiring hospital treatment and plastic surgery as a result of the injuries sustained from the bite.
Arrangements will now need to be made for the dog to be taken into our custody. We can collect the dog from your property, or alternatively, you may bring the dog to our animal shelter/facility by arrangement.
Please contact me as soon as possible to discuss the surrender of the dog and to arrange a suitable time for collection or delivery.
Once the dog has been seized, further assessment and consideration of the case will take place. A decision will then be made as to whether the dog will be classified as dangerous under the relevant legislation or whether the matter will proceed through the Court.
If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact me directly.
Kind regards,

Jenn

Animal Control Officer

Waikato District Council
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Nama waea: 07 824 8633 | **Waea puukoro:** 0800 492 452
Poutaapeta Mahi: Private Bag 544, Ngaruawahia 3742
Waahi Mahi: 15 Galileo Street, Ngaruawahia