

R E P O R T	TO	HEARINGS COMMITTEE
	FROM	DOG CONTROL OFFICER – G T O ADAMS
	FILE REF	63.100.027 - RE268560.RTF
	DATE	1 FEBRUARY 2007
	SUBJECT	OBJECTION TO MENACING DOG CLASS - M WORKMAN

Council received a complaint on 14 January 2007 that two dogs had attacked another dog being exercised on a lead by its owner on Banks Street, Waihi. The dog on the lead was injured and then the dogs acted aggressively towards the person exercising their dog on the street.

The dogs were identified as coming from 11 Bank Street, Waihi.

Hauraki District Council Dog Ranger G.T.O Adams attended the complaint on 14 January 2007 at 2030 hrs. On arrival at 11 Bank Street, two dogs came out of the property barking onto Bank Street and approached the vehicle on the street barking and circling.

Ranger drove into the driveway of No 11 from where the two dogs came from. The dogs continued to act aggressively when the vehicle was stopped with barking and snarling in an aggressive manner at the driver's door continued.

Dog Ranger got out of the vehicle and had to ward the two dogs off with a baton. The dogs continued the attack and the vehicle door had to be used as a shield to stop the dogs from biting the Ranger. The owner of the dogs was not home.

An 11 year old boy, Xavier came out of the house and called the dogs off and eventually tied the dogs up.

The leader of the attack was a tan and white American Bulldog. The other dog was a white and brindle Bulldog which also acted aggressively to the extent that the **lawn** was torn up through the attack and retreat movements of the two dogs towards the Dog Ranger.

History:

- Melissa Workman is the owner of an entire female Bulldog called Belle.
- The dog is currently registered.
- There has been a previous complaint lodged with Council in September 2006 concerning Belle for persistent barking.

Conclusion:

That this matter be heard by the Hearings Committee.

RECOMMENDATION

That the classification be upheld.

G T O Adams
Dog Control Officer