## INQUIRY INTO POUNDS IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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## Partially Confidential

Tweed Shire Council murdered a dog by the name of Buddy.

Buddy was simply lost. His previous owner did not wish to pay the release fee so Rescue groups requested Buddy to be released to them. Many rescue groups tried to get Buddy released to them including Animal Welfare League.

The pound refused to communicate with anyone and only advised that they were doing testing on the dog. For over 28 days they kept saying that testing was being done on the dog.

There was absolutely no reason for any testing as the dog was registered as an Amstaff and didn't harm anyone or was classified as a dangerous dog.

Council ended up murdering this dog for no reason at all. Numerous requests were sent in to allow rescues to take the dog or transfer him to animal welfare league but they would no respond to anyone.

This is appalling and breaches the laws that have come in to place that council can't destroy dogs unless all options have been exhausted! This is pure murder and I along with thousands of people would like to see justice served for this poor defenceless dog.

I plead with you to make Tweed Shire Council an example to any other council that murdering any animal has consequences and to punish those monsters that murdered this dog.