



CITY OF JOHANNESBURG
Councillor Jack Sekwaila

MMC: Environment and Infrastructure Services Department

Media Statement

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Clay Oven incident

The Member of the Mayoral Committee for Environment & Infrastructure Services Department (EISD) in the City of Johannesburg, Cllr Jack Sekwaila is deeply concerned about the recent drowning incident of a young boy in the Clay Oven informal settlement.

The four-year-old boy passed away after falling into an excavation site on Saturday, 6 April 2024. The MMC and Johannesburg Water express their heartfelt condolences to the family of the little boy.

A meeting with the family is scheduled for Tuesday, 9 April 2024. Currently, Johannesburg Water is conducting an internal investigation to determine the cause of the tragedy.

Both the Entity and the MMC will fully cooperate with law enforcement authorities.

Further updates and comments will be provided once the investigation has been concluded.

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