

FORM 38B

**Notice of Abandoned/Orphaned Child
(Regulation 56(1))**

To: The public/members of interested family/affected parties

**Municipal District of Sarah Baartman – Kouga Local Service Office in the Eastern Cape Province,
Republic of South Africa**

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KINDLY TAKE NOTICE that on 4 August 2025 a female child who apparently is abandoned or orphaned was reported to the local Department of Social Development / Designated Child Protection Organisation / Hospital / Police Station at Child Welfare SA, Humansdorp.

KINDLY TAKE NOTICE further that a designated Social Worker,

Name and Surname: Shannon Arends

Office address: Plot 761 Umslana Street, Moerasrivier, Humansdorp

Tel: 0429400612

Mobile: 0760617263

Email address: childwelfare77@gmail.com

has been appointed to handle the matter of the above child.

The child's details are apparently as follows:

Child's Name and surname: Riley Lessing

Child's estimated age: 3

Gender: Male / Female / Other: Female

Description of features of the child: 74,5 cm tall, slender, dark brown skin, dark curly hair, thin eyebrows, brown eyes, and weight 8.36kg.

Nationality: South African

Race Group: Coloured

Name of guardian/parent (where applicable): Rochelle Lessing

Last known address: Sea Vista

Reasons for issuing the notice: Child concerned abandoned by his biological father.

KINDLY FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that this notice will be published also on the website of the Provincial Department of Social Development and may be removed once the child has been positively identified alternatively placed into relevant child protection or re-united with parents.

IF YOU OR ANY PERSON KNOWN TO YOU may be familiar with or known to the child, kindly contact the above designated Social Worker or the nearest police station.

KINDLY FURTHER note that should no person claim the child within 30-days hereof, the child may be made available for foster care/adoption or other child protection measure at the discretion of the Children's Court. in the meantime mentioned below, is currently investigating the possibility of

NB: The designated Social Worker may be contacted for further enquiries on the contacts stated above.

For Public Notice

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