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## **Media Statement**

### **For Immediate Release**

#### **Pikitup's Ballyclare garden site stops accepting bulky waste**

Pikitup, the waste management company of the City of Johannesburg, has discontinued the disposal of bulky waste at its Ballyclare site in Bryanston, northern Johannesburg.

Bulky waste includes large items such as old furniture, fridges and other sizable items. This decision stems from complaints by residents about individuals lingering outside the facility with the hope of receiving items from residents for resale. Residents have also reported feeling intimidated and threatened by these individuals when they refuse to hand over such items.

The improper disposal of bulky items has resulted in homeless people constructing makeshift shelters outside the facility and in the nearby park, contributing to an unclean environment.

To discourage the prevailing negative conditions outside the facility, bulky waste items will no longer be accepted at the site. Instead, residents are encouraged to use the Bulky Waste Service by contacting the Marlboro Depot at 087 357 1545. Alternatively, they can request the service by reaching out to Ester Mtyana at 072 120 3484 or Mlawuli Dlamini at 082 496 7123.

It is essential to note that the Bulky Waste Service is designed for large items, while smaller electrical appliances such as kettles or irons can still be responsibly disposed at the site.

Pikitup discourages residents from handing over disposed items to individuals outside the facility to maintain a clean and safe environment for all.

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