

HSE now leading investigation into death of Louis Watkiss

The investigation into the death of a child at Tamworth SnowDome has now been formally handed over to the Health and Safety Executive (HSE).

A joint investigation was launched at the time of the tragic incident, led by Staffordshire Police. Following the handover, HSE will now lead the criminal investigation.

Twelve-year-old Louis Watkiss was in a toboggan when it collided with one of the snow centre's employees on Friday, 24 September, 2021. Louis suffered fatal injuries in the collision.

Andrew Johnson, Principal Inspector at HSE, said: "We continue to prioritise and thoroughly investigate the death of Louis, to establish any breaches of health and safety law.

"We are in regular contact with Louis' family."

Notes to Editors

1. The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) is Britain's national regulator for workplace health and safety. We prevent work-related death, injury and ill health through regulatory actions that range from influencing behaviours across whole industry sectors through to targeted interventions on individual businesses. These activities are supported by globally recognised scientific expertise. [hse.gov.uk](https://www.hse.gov.uk)