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Request and response:

I would like details of an incident involving all emergency services at a site on the A235 Brighton Road, Purley CR8 involving a boy being trapped in a water overflow sump either operated by Croydon Council or the water company. The incident was widely reported in the media and took some time to extract him from danger. The incident was some time after the year 2000 but I regret I can't be more specific. This enquiry is in connection with a proposed development of the area and not in connection with any investigation as to cause or the way the incident was dealt with. Thank You.

I have run a report for all incidents since 2000 at the location in your request. As you can imagine we attended a lot of incidents over the years at this location. An incident of this nature would have been classed as a 'Special Service' due to being a non-fire related incident. Even with this filter the data displayed over 99 incidents.

I was unable to identify the incident based on your description. If you have any further information that could help to locate this incident, please let me know.

A full list of incidents attended by the LFB since 2009 is published via the [London DataStore](https://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/london-fire-brigade-incident-records) and can be accessed via this link: <https://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/london-fire-brigade-incident-records>.

I'm sorry I could not provide any further information on this occasion. If you have any further questions please contact InformationAccess@london-fire.gov.uk.

We have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. For more information about this process please see the guidance we publish about making a request on our website: <https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/transparency/request-information-from-us/>