Mikaeel Kular died from internal bleeding

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Mikaeel Kular died from "peritonitis and intra-abdominal haemorrhage (pending investigation)" according to the death certificate which was released by the Registrar at Kirkcaldy yesterday.

Peritonitis is inflammation of the peritoneum — the thin lining of the abdomen. The inflammation is most often caused by an infection from elsewhere in the body, but it can also develop directly.

An intra-abdominal haemorrhage is a bleed inside someone's abdomen.

The youngster's death was registered by his step-grandfather, Mr B Krishnaswamy and time on the certificate was recorded as "04:02 on 18 January".

Mikaeel was reported missing from the family home in Ferry Gait Crescent on 16 January and hundreds of local residents joined in the search for him.

His photograph was shown on television throughout the UK before his body was discovered in woodland behind Dunvagen Avenue, Kirkcaldy.

Afterwards hundreds of people in Edinburgh gathered at the city's Muirhouse St Andrew's Church for a service in his memory. They also released dozens of colourful balloons.

Candlelit vigils for Mikaeel were held on both sides of the Firth of Forth, at Cramond in Edinburgh and Ravenscraig beach in Kirkcaldy. His mother Rosdeep Kularis is currently being held on remand at Cornton Vale prison near Stirling. She has appeared twice in court in Edinburgh, making no plea or declaration.