Abandoned baby dies in Port Harcourt refuse dump

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PORT HARCOURT—People were seen cursing and swearing on whoever would have abandoned a baby on a dumpsite at Ikoku Junction, Port Harcourt City Local Government Area of Rivers State, yesterday.

Residents of the area said they woke up yesterday morning to see the baby, wrapped in a white cloth, abandoned in the middle of a refuse dump in front of St. Thomas Anglican Church, Mile 2, Diobu.

Some of the onlookers, who spoke to *Vanguard*, expressed sadness with the attitude of the person that abandoned the baby.

One of them, a lady, who identified herself simply as Charity, noted that the baby was dropped by the unknown person at midnight.

She added that the baby was showing signs of life in the early hours of the day, but regretted that it died when no help came.

The remains of the baby were still at the wastes site at press time, even as the Rivers State Police Command said it is not aware of the development.