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Two die after being struck by lightning

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Two people have been killed and one injured after they were struck by lightning at Mamfene Reserve in Ubombo, in northern KwaZulu-Natal.

Thulani Sibiyi and Mfana Khumalo, both aged 16, were sitting in their hut when it was struck by lightning. They were both burnt to death.

Siyabonga Sibiyi (35), who was with the teenagers at the time, escaped with minor burn injuries. The area was the scene of a heavy thunderstorm yesterday afternoon.

Musa Khaba, a police spokesperson, has encouraged people in the area to install lightning conductors.

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