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Lidcombe Organic Waste Transfer Station

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Speaker Sitou, Sally MP	Question No.

Ms SITOU (Reid) (13:37): Lidcombe is a very special suburb with a wonderfully diverse community, but it is often an overlooked and underappreciated suburb. It was this thought that struck me last month when I held a community meeting to speak to residents about a proposed organic waste facility for Church Street in Lidcombe. That development proposal is currently before Cumberland City Council. More than 150 residents came out to share their views with me, the local state MP and councillors. It was a good opportunity for us to hear their views directly from the community. Residents raised a number of things that concerned them, including excessive traffic congestion and noise caused by waste transfer trucks, the risk of unpleasant odours from the site and concerns about the impact on the local environment—all significantly impacting the quality of life for residents.

At the meeting, I encouraged residents to make their views heard and to participate in the process, and they did. Cumberland City Council has received more than 2,000 submissions about the development. There will be a public meeting on Sunday, and I will be there to support the local community in their opposition to this waste facility in Lidcombe. I would encourage all affected residents to attend because I believe Lidcombe deserves better.