



**Let's Work  
Together**

**Lidcombe**

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## **We can Win!**

### **Our community can beat the proposed Putrid Waste Transfer Station.**

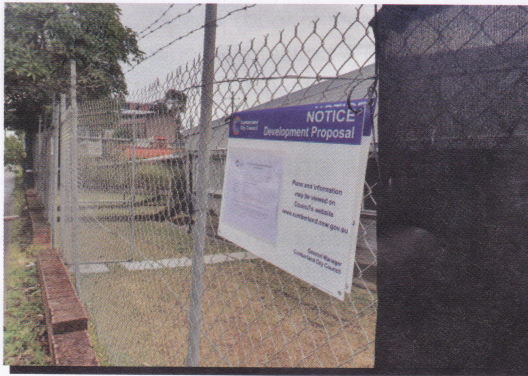
A massive 1900 residents wrote individual submissions opposing the putrid waste station, hundreds more filled in pro forma submissions that weren't counted.

Hundreds of our residents have attended protests and meetings opposing the putrid waste station near to residential homes.

Speaking with one strong voice.

Lidcombe residents have spoken with one strong voice and we have forced Council to listen.

We can be proud; we have forced Council to move from sitting on the fence to making a submission opposing the putrid waste station. Council Staff have never seen so many submissions from our Community.



### **Next Challenge.**

In November the Sydney Central Planning Panel will meet to make a decision on the Putrid Waste Transfer Station and our challenge will be to back up the incredible work done in our community with a large speaking list opposing the Putrid Waste Station.

# Lidcombe Demands Respect.

**Our Community has earned the right to demand Respect with the thousands of submissions, packed meetings and street demonstrations that opposed this assault on our homes.**

It's no mistake that most Waste facilities get dumped in Western Sydney. Lidcombe is at the centre of a cluster of Waste Stations that discriminate against our quality of life. It's unfair that Liberal & Labor think its okay to dump Toxic Industries in our communities. Lidcombe residents are determined to beat this proposal.

## Why a Putrid Waste Station is plain wrong.

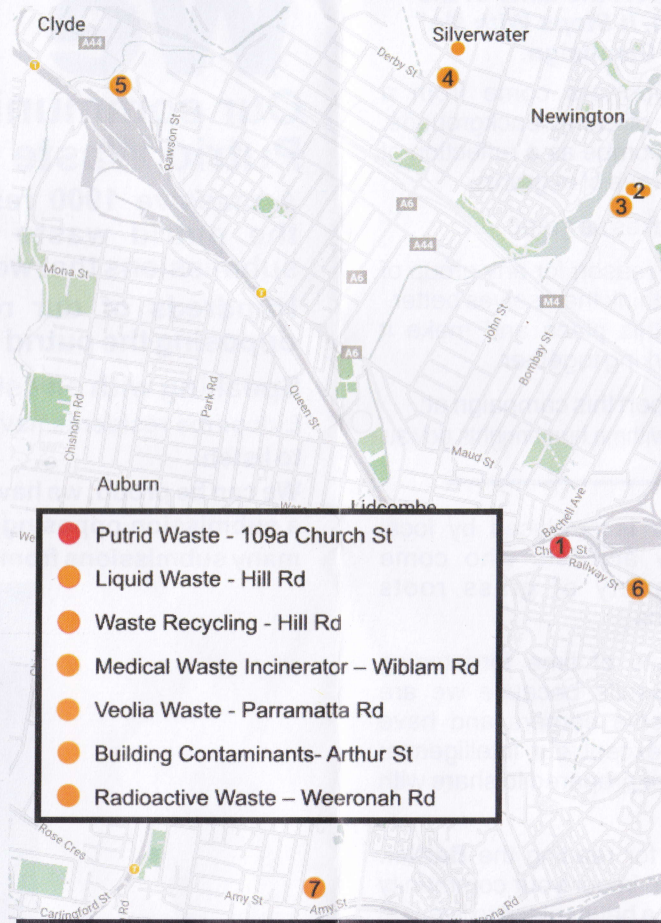
- The proposed Waste facility is too close to residential housing on Bachell Ave and newly constructed public housing apartments on Church St.
- We already have a high percentage of our young and elderly suffering from respiratory diseases and the putrid waste will increase these health problems.
- The rear of the proposed site is in an area prone to flooding and is a risk to contamination of our ground water.
- Lidcombe is overdeveloped with no new infrastructure and suffering from serious traffic congestion, truck movements from the proposed waste facility will add to our traffic problems.

## Organic waste a soft sell.

The Developer at 109A Church St Lidcombe, MA Investments has tried to present the facility as organic but this is to soften its perception in our community. The organic title is green washing and far from the truth, its proposed that the waste facility will accept 64,000 tonnes of putrescible (rotting food) waste. That is 80% putrescible waste and 10% household contaminants from garbage collection, it's only the remaining 10% green waste which could be considered organic.

## Cluster of six polluting waste stations in our area.

The idea that it's okay to dump waste stations in our suburbs because we are mainly from low-income and non-English speaking backgrounds is being challenged by Lidcombe residents.



## Precedent set.

In 2003 Allan Brzason and John Drake, two local residents challenged Collex (Veolia) in the Land & Environment Court over a waste transfer station they proposed to build off Parramatta Rd, Auburn.

They argued the environmental impact statement was faulty, it would harm our air quality and cause enormous transport problems and were aggravated by the cluster of waste facilities in our surrounding area.

They won the case in the Court which was later overturned by an Act of Parliament (Carr Labor Government).

## Political Leadership gone AWOL. (Absent With Out Leave)

Many Lidcombe residents have been asking "Where is Linda Voltz during the campaign to oppose the Putrid Waste Station"? Labor Councillors in Regents Park Ward were slow to respond when Lidcombe residents expressed their concerns but redeemed themselves later by getting Council to backflip and support Cumberland Council submitting their opposition to the Putrid Waste in the upcoming Sydney Central Planning Panel hearing.

The Battler has some free and friendly advice for Labor – Don't take Lidcombe residents for granted!

## OUR CHALLENGE

The Challenge for Lidcombe Residents is the November Meeting of the Sydney Central Planning Panel where we can build on the great community work so far, we need lots of local residents prepared to speak and fill the Panel Meeting room.

## Waste facilities in our surrounding suburb:

### 1. Liquid Waste Plant

cnr Hill Rd & Pondage Link, Sydney Olympic Park.

### 2. Cleanaway Industrial Services, Recycling

Hill Rd, Olympic Park.

### 3. Medical Waste Incinerator

Wiblarn St, Silverwater.

### 4. Clyde Waste Transfer Station

off Parramatta Rd, Auburn.

### 5. Sydney Transwaste Industries

160 Arthur St, Rookwood.

### 6. Radioactive Waste Facility

Weerona Rd, Lidcombe.

# FOLLOW the MONEY.

The Battler is concerned about the application for the Putrid Waste Transfer Station on Church St, Lidcombe.

In our experience applications for these types of facilities come with massive amounts of detail about how the proposed waste will be collected, delivered, treated, processed and above all the credentials (background) of the people proposing the waste facility.

The Battler asked some of our friends to do a corporate search (follow the money) on the people behind the application, MA Investments. Surprise! Surprise! None of the names linked with MA Investments have any connection or experience with the Waste Industry.

MA Investments do have links to Developers and the Saudi backed Piety which is suing Council over the John St Council carpark.

The Battler can't help but think the Putrid Waste proposal is taking a lend of residents and is really leverage to get a rezoning of the land on Church St to High Rise Residential.

That would get a big profit for MA Investments. Residents be aware!

## Become a **Battler** Supporter *How can you help the Battler?*

- 👉 Sponsor a street meeting at your house
- 👉 Letterbox the Battler in your area
- 👉 Display a sign in your front yard
- 👉 Join us at the Battler Group

Contact us on: **0451 635 924**



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# RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME

We support the aims of the  
*"Racism. It Stops With Me"*  
Campaign.

Battler supporters come from a large range of ethnic backgrounds. We see Lidcombe as a reflection of wave after wave of migrants.

It is what makes us great.

There is no reason for any group of migrants to think themselves better. We share this place and make it great by working together.

Please support this campaign at:  
<http://itstopswithme.humanrights.gov.au>

The **Battler** is produced by local community activists who come from a variety of grass roots organisations.

It is a waste of time threatening us with lawsuits because we are all low income earners and have no assets except our intelligence; which we are prepared to share with all.

Thank-you for reading the **Battler**. Get involved in our/your community and make it a better place to live.

Please call us on:  
**0451 635 924**