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I strongly object to the proposed waste transfer station for the following reasons. Firstly, the excessive truck movements through Lidcombe, including residential areas, would create a significant traffic burden and pose a safety risk to both pedestrians and motorists. With 118 truck movements daily, the already strained road network would suffer from increased wear and tear, leading to costly maintenance that the council would have to pursue. Moreover, the potential for rubbish to "fly out" of the trucks during transport raises concerns about the cleanliness and aesthetics of the area, negatively impacting Lidcombe's overall appearance and reputation.

Secondly, the extended hours of operation outlined in the proposal disregard the Cumberland Development Control Plan (DCP) for the Industrial zone, which explicitly aims to protect residential amenity. The proposed operating hours from 6.00 am to 10.00 pm on weekdays and until 6.00 pm on Saturdays exceed the limits set by the DCP. This disregard for the DCP not only undermines the council's commitment to ensuring a peaceful and livable environment for its residents but also raises questions about the credibility of the proposed waste transfer station. Lidcombe is home to a diverse range of residents, including families and individuals seeking a tranquil neighborhood, and allowing such extended operational hours would severely disrupt their quality of life.

Considering the detrimental impact on traffic, road quality, residential amenity, and the overall character of Lidcombe, I strongly urge the council to reject the application for the waste transfer station. It is crucial that the council prioritises the well-being and interests of its residents and ensures the sustainable development of the area. The proposed location is highly unsuitable for waste transfer processing, given its close proximity to residential areas and public spaces. Instead, the council should explore alternative locations within fully industrial areas, away from town centers and residential neighborhoods, to mitigate the potential negative effects on Lidcombe's livability and maintain its status as a desirable place to live and work.

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