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Subject: [EXTERNAL] DA2023/0130 - Proposed Organic Waste Facility in Lidcombe

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Dear Cumberland Council,

My name is _____; and I am the owner and resident at _____ This email is written to express my deep concern and strong opposition to the proposed construction of a rubbish landfill in Lidcombe. As a long-time resident of this vibrant community, I firmly believe that such a project will have detrimental effects on the local environment, public health, and overall living standards of the residents.

First and foremost, the increased traffic resulting from the landfill's operations will severely impact our already congested roads. Lidcombe is already known for its heavy traffic, and the influx of garbage trucks and other vehicles associated with the landfill will only exacerbate the problem. This excessive traffic will not only lead to further delays and frustration for residents but also pose a significant risk to pedestrian safety, especially near schools and residential areas.

Additionally, the potential for air pollution is a significant concern. Landfills emit various noxious gases and harmful chemicals, such as methane, carbon dioxide, and volatile organic compounds. These pollutants not only contribute to the degradation of air quality but also have serious implications for respiratory health, particularly for vulnerable populations such as children, the elderly, and individuals with pre-existing respiratory conditions. By allowing the landfill to be established, you would be jeopardizing the well-being of the residents and compromising their right to breathe clean and healthy air.

Furthermore, the presence of a landfill in close proximity to residential areas will undoubtedly lower the overall living standards of the local community. Unpleasant odors emanating from the landfill will permeate the air, making it difficult for residents to enjoy their outdoor spaces and diminishing the value of their properties. This decrease in property values will have long-term financial implications for homeowners, leading to potential economic hardships for individuals and families in the area.

It is worth noting that Lidcombe has made significant strides in recent years to improve its environmental sustainability and promote a healthy and harmonious community. The establishment of a landfill contradicts these efforts and sends a message that the well-being and quality of life of its residents are not a priority. We must protect our environment and maintain Lidcombe's reputation as a desirable place to live, work, and raise a family.

Considering the adverse effects on traffic, air pollution, and living standards, I urge you to reconsider the decision to allow the construction of a rubbish landfill in

Lidcombe. I implore you to explore alternative solutions for waste management that are environmentally responsible and socially equitable. Collaborating with neighboring communities to develop a regional waste management strategy, focusing on recycling, composting, and other sustainable practices, would be a far more suitable approach.

I request that you take into serious consideration the concerns and well-being of the Lidcombe community before making any final decisions regarding this landfill project. The voices of the residents must be heard and respected, as we all share a common goal of preserving and improving the quality of life in this area.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter. I trust that you will act in the best interests of the Lidcombe community and prioritize the health, safety, and happiness of its residents.

Yours sincerely,