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[EXTERNAL] OBJECTION to DA2023/0130, Site: 109A Church Street LIDCOMBE NSW 2141; Lot 1 DP 778492

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Dear Cumberland Council.

I am writing to express my strong objection to the proposed construction of a rubbish tip (organic waste transfer) in close proximity to our local residential properties, schools, Child Care, Aged Care facilities, parks, and businesses. The potential impact of this facility on our community is of great concern, particularly with the large-scale fire incident at Chullora waste recycling centre this morning. Photos from Lidcombe apartment attached.

Reasons for objection:

- 1. Traffic Congestion: The operation of the proposed waste transfer station, with 118 large garbage trucks entering and exiting our Lidcombe streets every day, would undoubtedly result in severe traffic congestion. This congestion would not only disrupt the daily lives of local residents but also pose safety risks, particularly for pedestrians and children commuting to schools and child care centres.
- 2. Air, Noise, and Soil Pollution: The constant flow of large garbage trucks, combined with the handling and processing of organic waste, would generate significant air and noise pollution. The emission of dust, fumes, and unpleasant odours from the waste transfer station would further deteriorate the air quality in our community. Moreover, the potential contamination of soil in the surrounding areas raises concerns about the long-term environmental impact.
- 3. Impact on Tranquillity: Our suburb prides itself on its tranquillity and peaceful environment. The construction and operation of a waste transfer station so close to residential properties would significantly disrupt this tranquillity, causing distress and discomfort for local residents who have chosen to reside here specifically for its serene atmosphere.
- 4. Health and Safety Concerns: The proposed facility poses a direct threat to the health and safety of our community members. Exposure to increased pollution, including air contaminants and foul odours, can lead to respiratory issues, allergies, and other health problems. Additionally,

the heavy traffic flow and potential accidents associated with the operation of large garbage trucks can jeopardise the safety of pedestrians and motorists.

- 5. Negative Impact on Property Values: The presence of a rubbish tip in such close proximity would undoubtedly have a negative effect on property values in our area. Prospective buyers and tenants are likely to be deterred by the associated pollution, noise, and traffic concerns, leading to a decline in property prices and investment value.
- 6. Adverse Effects on Residential, Commercial, and Recreational Environment: Our community thrives on its residential, commercial, and recreational environment, which would all be detrimentally affected by the construction and operation of the waste transfer station. The unpleasant surroundings, traffic congestion, and potential health risks would discourage residents, customers, and visitors, ultimately impacting local businesses and recreational facilities.
- 7. Roadwork Damages and Costs: The ongoing heavy vehicle usage associated with the waste transfer station would undoubtedly cause significant damage to our local roads. The burden of repairing and maintaining these roads would fall on the shoulders of local residents, further exacerbating the financial impact on our community.
- 8. Potential Hazards: In addition to the concerns mentioned above, the proposed rubbish tip introduces potential hazards that can jeopardise the safety and well-being of our community. These hazards include:
- a) Fire Risks: The accumulation of organic waste in large quantities creates a higher risk of fires, especially during hot and dry seasons. This poses a threat to nearby residential properties, schools, and businesses, endangering lives and causing property damage.
- b) Pest Infestation: The presence of a rubbish tip attracts pests such as rats, flies, and other vermin. These pests can pose health risks, contaminate food sources, and create unsanitary conditions in our neighbourhood.
- c) Water Contamination: Improper waste management practices in the vicinity of our local waterways could potentially contaminate our water sources. This poses a significant risk to public health and the environment.

As our council, I trust that you understand the concerns of your residents and local people. The location of the rubbish tip brings absolutely no benefits to us and I kindly request that you find an alternative site that is far removed from residential areas, schools, Child Care, Aged Care facilities, parks, and businesses. It is crucial to prioritise the well-being and safety of our community members and preserve the peaceful and healthy environment that our suburb currently enjoys.

I trust that you will give due consideration to the concerns raised by myself and other concerned residents. I urge you to engage in open dialogue with the community and explore alternative solutions that mitigate the potential negative impacts on our neighbourhood.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I hope for a favourable resolution that ensures the long-term welfare of our community.

Yours sincerely,



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Huge Fire In Chullora

Evacuations On Muir Road In Chullora



A massive fire has broken out at a waste recycling centre in Sydney, sending a massive plume of thick, black smoke across the city's west.

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