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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Objection to Development Proposal DA2023/0130

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To whom it may concern,

Re Application No: DA2023/0130

I am writing to object to the above development proposal of an organic waste transfer facility on Church St Lidcombe. I make this objection based on the following grounds:

## Traffic

The proposed waste station would significantly increase heavy vehicle traffic in Lidcombe. Already the road infrastructure is not adequate for the increasing number of residents in this area. Further, the roads are already in poor condition due to the current heavy vehicles that use the area, increasing maintenance costs for rate payers. I note in the Kick-Off Brief that the developer has indicated that heavy vehicles will not enter the facility through residential areas in Lidcombe, however the developer would not be able to police this when the facility is open.

Lidcombe has a high population of families. There are 2 primary schools with well over 1000 students who attend. The proposed facility and associated increased traffic poses a significant risk to the young children in the area.

## **Environment**

The proposed facility will have a detrimental impact on the environment. It will likely bring smell and vermin to the area. Although the developer has indicated in the proposal there will be little to no smell associated with the facility, this is highly unlikely particularly in summer. This will result in residents local to the facility having to remain inside and use more air conditioning, which will impact on the environment. It will also likely negatively affect residents with respiratory health conditions.

The increase in vermin that such a facility will attract also has the potential to increase disease for both humans and pets in the area.

## Location

The location of the proposed facility is illogical. Although located in an 'industrial' area, it is only approximately 70m from the closest residential building. The population in this part of Lidcombe is high, with apartments, duplexes, townhouses and houses all close by.

Furthermore, it is located close to schools, pre-schools, aged care facilities and nursing homes, which will place some of the most vulnerable members of the community at increased risk due to all issues outlined in this submission.

The proposed facility will also negatively impact on house prices for those who live close to Church St.

## **Hours of operation**

It is proposed that the waste transfer facility will operate 16 hours on weekdays and 12 hours on a Saturday. This will have a significant impact on the local residents through operating noise and increased traffic. This contravenes noise restrictions placed on residents by council, and will impact on the quality of life of residents.

In summation, the proposed development will have a significant adverse impact on the Lidcombe community which far outweighs any benefits it may bring.

Thank you for your consideration,

Name:

Address:

**Contact:**