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Dear Cumberland Council,

I am writing to strongly oppose the approval of DA 2023/0130 for the waste plant in Lidcombe.

As a lifelong resident of Lidcombe, spanning 44 years, I have a deep attachment to this community. While I acknowledge the necessity of such facilities, I firmly believe that Lidcombe is an inappropriate location for this waste plant. Here are the key reasons for my opposition:

Traffic Impact: Lidcombe's roads are already severely congested due to inadequate infrastructure development despite years of urban growth. Parramatta Road, Lidcombe, and Arthur St are notorious for their gridlocked conditions during peak hours and weekends. The proposed addition of 120 trucks daily to an already overwhelmed road system is simply unacceptable. Moreover, the proximity of the proposed site to the upcoming residential units at 2-36 Church St will exacerbate the situation, posing hazards to vehicular navigation.

Environmental Concerns: The identified section of road is prone to water accumulation during heavy rainfall. Approving the waste plant raises concerns about its environmental impact during such weather conditions. Despite assurances of precautions, there is no guarantee against site flooding or the potential for rubbish being washed into nearby waterways, considering the prevalent occurrence of debris falling off delivery trucks along Parramatta Road. Additionally, the waste's air pollution and odours, combined with exhaust emissions from machinery and trucks, will create an unbearable environment. Given the close proximity to residential properties and parks, it is unreasonable to expect people to endure such unpleasant smells, particularly in light of occasional odours from the Bingo site on Parramatta Rd.

Noise Pollution and Hours of Operation: Lidcombe has long been a peaceful suburb, known for its high elderly population. The noise pollution resulting from the waste plant's operations, coupled with its proximity to residential dwellings, is a major concern. Every individual deserves the right to peace and enjoyment, and the constant noise generated by machinery and semi-trailers unloading throughout the day, including weekends, will undeniably disrupt people's lives.

In conclusion, I have outlined the major concerns regarding DA 2023/0130. Lidcombe takes pride in its cleanliness, and as a united community, we are steadfast in our determination to maintain that reputation. I sincerely urge the council to support our cause by rejecting this application.

No tip in Lidcombe!

Kind Regards