

Re: DA 2023/0130

As a resident of the area for some 49 years I have seen many industries come and go. Off Hill road there used to be a council run and owned Waste Transfer Station which would generate odours into what was an industrial area. As well there was the Liquid Waste Incinerator on almost an adjacent block of land. The odours from that particular plant when the breeze could come from the east and north would blow over the housing areas of Lidcombe and Auburn with Nth Lidcombe suffering the worst. Complaints would always be replied to with cries of "Not Us". The creation of Olympic Park as a housing area saw additional complaints which resulted in the incinerator being closed.

Do I really have to mention the Clyde Waste Transfer Station whose odours I often suffer when using Parramatta Road. Despite assurances that there would be no offensive smells the operators of the site obviously are not aware of the promises made in the original DA.

Is it an offensive odour I ask? Well you will know if you had no option but to drive behind one of the many garbage trucks from a multitude of areas that use our streets to access the place.

Now when looking at this current development application you will notice just how close it is to residential housing. The other odour producing waste facilities I mentioned were a semi reasonable distance from residents and they produced issues so what chance has this DA got of not generating Odour Complaints when normally the breezes come from the SE meaning it will blow over Nth Lidcombe most times.

Unlike the Clyde site this one will have twice the issue with smelly trucks as there will be arriving and departing waste trucks. At least the Clyde site ships out their waste by rail.

In conclusion: We already have one waste transfer station serving the waste needs of the surrounding suburbs. Why do we need a second odour producing facility in our local areas?

Yes I object strongly to this DA.