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## **Dear Cumberland Councillors**

I hope this email is reaching you in good health. I am writing to express my concerns and objections regarding the proposed organic waste transfer facility at 109A Church Street in Lidcombe, as outlined in DA2023/0130.

As a resident, I have several concerns that I would like to address. Firstly, the development of this waste transfer facility will undoubtedly impact the air quality in our neighbourhood, specifically in terms of odours and particulate matter. Placing such a facility in our community places our health at significant risk, especially for vulnerable populations such as children and the elderly. Moreover, the presence of airborne bacteria and fungi from organic matter is a major concern for my household, as our address at 1 Bachell Ave Lidcombe is directly opposite 109A Church St, within a 100-200-meter walking distance. It is important to consider and prioritise the wellbeing of residents, including those who have not yet moved into the newly developed apartments in 4-34 Church St, which are still under construction. We cannot afford to put our health at risk, and the unpleasant odours would also negatively impact our local community and local businesses, such as restaurants and shops.

Secondly, I am concerned about the potential road hazards, congestion, and noise that would arise from the transfer and transportation of organic waste. This would cause inconvenience for residents and have a significant impact on households in close proximity to the facility.

Lastly, having an organic waste processing/transfer facility in the Cumberland area could have negative impacts, such as attracting pests, generating litter, and contaminating water sources, underground water, and soil. More importantly this will result in a detrimental effect on property values in the cumberland area. The perception that our neighbourhood has a waste plant not only discourages potential buyers but also undermines our efforts to create a safe and desirable community to live in.

Thank you for your time, attention, and dedication to serving our community. I trust that you will give this matter the sincere consideration it deserves.

Best regards