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To: Records Department

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Concerns Regarding the Proposed Rubbish Transfer Station

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Dear Cumberland council,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to you as a concerned resident of Lidcombe to express my dissatisfaction with the plans to construct a rubbish transfer station within our vicinity. I believe that this decision might not have fully considered the potential negative impacts it could bring to our community and environment, especially given the increasing population due to new residential developments.

As you may be aware, a new apartment complex is nearing completion in our neighbourhoods, which will bring a significant number of additional residents. With more families and individuals moving into the area, it is essential that we maintain a high standard of living and ensure our environment remains safe, clean, and pleasant.

The proposed location of the transfer station is uncomfortably close to residential areas, schools, and local businesses. This will not only elevate noise, dust, and odour emissions but could also result in serious health implications for residents, particularly those with pre-existing conditions such as asthma and other respiratory problems.

Additionally, the expected rise in truck traffic to and from the site could pose safety hazards for our community's children, pedestrians, and other road users. This increased traffic could also lead to faster degradation of our local roads, requiring additional funding for maintenance.

There is also concern over the potential decline in property values. The presence of such a facility could dissuade prospective home buyers and investors, leading to a general decrease in property values and negatively affecting the local economy.

While I understand that waste management is a vital issue that needs attention, I implore the council to consider alternative solutions or locations for the rubbish transfer station that are farther from populated areas. Inclusive and transparent consultations with the community would allow us to share our concerns and collaborate on finding a solution that serves the best interests of everyone involved. I urge the council to reconsider this decision, taking into account the expected population increase and the need to maintain a healthy, safe, and pleasant environment for all residents, present and future.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to your response and hope for a positive resolution that is in the best interest of our community.

Yours sincerely,