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**ATTENTION: CUMBERLAND COUNCILLORS**

I write to you in regards to the above mentioned Development Application for an organic waste dump in Lidcombe.

I would like to express my objection to the utmost extent. There are many valid reasons to object as I am sure you are aware, including traffic congestion, air quality and pollution, the fact that it is dangerously close to a large number of residential properties and impact on the health and safety of our residents. Furthermore to these reasons, I would like to bring to your attention the notion that Lidcombe as a suburb has been severely neglected for decades; and my explanation will provide a subsequent rationale for my objection.

Lidcombe has severely run down, unsafe and derelict playgrounds, dilapidated streets/roads and outdoor shops, a lack of pedestrian crossings, unrealistic speed limits (particularly on John Street where there is high pedestrian activity from the train station to the shopping centre on the corner of Parramatta Road - as a result of train/bus commuters, child care centres, schools, shops, food shops and local residents who walk between these areas; adults, children, pensioners), a lack of appropriate parking (with consideration to the extreme volume of residents in new and existing unit complexes) this includes indoor and outdoor shopping centres, and this all comes with an ever increasing amount of residents. With this being said, Lidcombe and its residents have long deserved attention in these areas and more, and although I am aware there are proposals and plans in place for upcoming improvements, adding a dumping ground is an extremely inappropriate addition to our already struggling suburb, when there are many valid needs that should have been addressed several years ago. Lidcombe residents deserve our suburb to be clean, liveable and safe, which Council needs to support us with by addressing the current issues, instead of adding in another.

We do not need an organic waste dump in Lidcombe, we need our suburb to brought up to the standard Cumberland Council has supported other suburbs recently in achieving, such as Berala, Merrylands and others, especially after decades of neglect.

I sincerely hope you consider my objection and thank you for your time.

Feel free to contact me if you need any further information, happy to contribute.

Kind regards,

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**The proposed operational times are every Monday to Friday from 6:00 am to 10:00 pm, from 8:00am to 6:00 pm on Saturday. 59 large garbage trucks with a length of 20 metres will enter and exit from our Lidcombe streets, resulting in 118 truck movements every day.**

**If the waste transfer station gets built, this would have significant impact on the residents currently living near the proposed construction site and the rest of the neighbourhood with:**

**Traffic congestion  
Air, noise and soil pollution  
Dust fumes and bad smell  
Negatively impact to tranquillity of our suburb  
Negatively impact the health and safety of local residents  
Negatively impact property values  
Negatively affect residential, commercial and recreational environment  
Local residents will bear the costs of roadworks damaged by the ongoing heavy vehicle usage of the area.**

**Reason for objection : This year, I bought this house and moved in. However, I have heard this bad news. This neighbourhood has lots of people living there and a school full of children. If this Organic Waste Transfer Station takes place, there will be many big trucks that will pass by and those trucks would threaten children while they are walking around in this neighbourhood, the trucks could hit the children and cause many deaths. I find this very concerning. Please help this neighbourhood and people and children living here safe.**