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Dear Cumberland Local Council,

I hope this email finds you well.

I am writing to express my grave concerns regarding the proposed construction of a rubbish tip in the form of an organic waste transfer station on 109A Church Street, Lidcombe.

While I acknowledge the importance of waste management, I firmly believe that the potential negative impact on the residents and the surrounding environment outweigh any perceived benefits of this project.

REASON FOR MY OBJECTION:

Traffic Congestion:

The construction of a waste transfer station at this location would inevitably lead to a significant increase in traffic congestion. The constant influx of waste disposal vehicles, coupled with the additional trucks transporting organic waste to the station, would place an enormous burden on the local road infrastructure. This congestion would cause inconvenience for residents and commuters alike, leading to longer travel times, increased frustration, and compromised road safety.

Air, Noise, and Soil Pollution:

The operation of a waste transfer station is known to emit harmful pollutants, including noxious gases and particulate matter, which would contribute to air pollution. The continuous noise generated by the operation of heavy machinery and waste disposal activities would disrupt the peace and tranquility of the surrounding residential areas. Additionally, the potential contamination of soil due to the presence of hazardous waste poses a significant threat to the local ecosystem and the health of residents.

Dust, Fumes, and Unpleasant Odors:

The construction and operation of a waste transfer station inevitably generate dust, fumes, and unpleasant odors. These noxious emissions would pose a serious threat to the well-being and quality of life of the nearby residents. The constant exposure to such pollutants can lead to respiratory problems, allergies, and other adverse health effects, making it an unacceptable risk for the community.

Negative Impact on Health and Safety of Local Residents:

The proposed waste transfer station presents significant health and safety risks for the local residents. The potential exposure to hazardous materials, coupled with the increased traffic and pollution, would greatly compromise the well-being of the community. The long-term consequences of such exposure can include respiratory illnesses, cardiovascular problems, and an overall decline in the quality of life for the residents.

Negative Impact on Property Values:

The establishment of a waste transfer station in close proximity to residential areas would inevitably have a

detrimental effect on property values. Potential buyers and investors would be discouraged from purchasing or developing properties in an area plagued by the presence of a rubbish tip. This decline in property values would have long-lasting economic consequences for the affected residents and could hinder the overall growth and development of the community.

Negative Impact on Residential, Commercial, and Recreational Environment:

The presence of a waste transfer station would severely compromise the residential, commercial, and recreational environment in the surrounding area. The unpleasant sights, smells, and associated negative connotations would deter visitors and potential customers, harming local businesses and impeding the growth of the local economy. Furthermore, the negative impact on the recreational environment, including parks and open spaces, would diminish the overall quality of life for residents, who rely on these areas for relaxation and enjoyment.

Financial Burden on Local Residents:

The ongoing heavy vehicle usage associated with the waste transfer station would undoubtedly lead to significant wear and tear on local roads. As a result, the burden of repairing and maintaining the road infrastructure would fall on the shoulders of the local residents through increased taxes or levies. This additional financial strain is unjust and unfair to the community, who should not be responsible for bearing the cost of damages caused by the operation of the waste transfer station.

Considering these valid concerns, I urge the Cumberland Local Council to reconsider the proposal for a waste transfer station on 109A Church Street, Lidcombe. It is essential to prioritize the well-being, health, and safety of the residents, as well as the preservation of the local environment and property values. I respectfully request that you explore alternative locations for this facility that would have a lesser impact on the community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and I hope that you will take into account the valid concerns raised by the affected residents.

Your careful consideration in this regard will be greatly appreciated.

Kind Regards,