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Dear Cumberland council

I am writing to strongly oppose the proposed development plan for constructing an organic waste facility in Lidcombe. As a long time resident in this suburb, I hold a deep appreciation for the current lifestyle it offers and the sentimental value it holds for my family. It is crucial that we reconsider this plan, as it presents significant challenges to our community's well-being and quality of life.

One major concern is the potential traffic congestion that would arise from limited access to Lidcombe, particularly through heavily congested areas like Parramatta Rd and the Arthur St traffic lights. The introduction of 59 large trucks, each measuring 20 meters in length, and up to 118 truck movements per day would exacerbate existing congestion issues, inconveniencing Lidcombe residents and creating safety hazards.

Another significant concern is the potential for air, noise, and soil pollution that would accompany the operation of the organic waste facility. Harmful emissions, noise disturbances, and the risk of soil pollution pose a direct threat to our community's overall well-being and the environment we cherish.

The presence of dust fumes and unpleasant odors is also a worrying factor. The facility's operations would permeate the air in our suburb, tarnishing the tranquil atmosphere we currently enjoy and diminishing our quality of life.

Moreover, the construction of an organic waste facility would disrupt the tranquility that Lidcombe is known for. Constant noise, increased activity, and visual disturbances would negatively impact the character of our suburb, detracting from its appeal.

We must also consider the potential health and safety risks to Lidcombe residents. The proximity of the proposed facility to residential areas raises concerns about accidents related to increased truck traffic and the release of hazardous substances during waste processing. These risks are particularly worrisome for vulnerable populations, such as children and the elderly.

The negative impact on property values cannot be ignored either. Many properties in Lidcombe represent the hard-earned assets of first home buyers and soon-to-retire residents, who have invested in our suburb to build their families and secure their future. The construction of an organic waste facility would likely result in decreased property values, undermining the financial stability and plans of these homeowners.

Additionally, the presence of such a facility would have adverse effects on the residential, commercial, and recreational environment of Lidcombe. Negative perceptions associated with waste

management facilities could discourage future growth and development in our suburb.

Lastly, it is unfair for Lidcombe residents to bear the cost of roadworks damaged by the ongoing heavy vehicle use associated with the proposed facility. This additional burden on our local infrastructure should not be shouldered by our community.

In conclusion, I urge you to carefully reconsider the proposed development plan for the organic waste facility in Lidcombe. The potential traffic congestion, pollution, disruption of tranquility, health and safety risks, property devaluation, environmental impact, and financial burdens on residents are significant concerns that must be addressed. We need to explore alternative solutions that prioritize the well-being and aspirations of Lidcombe residents.

Thank you for your attention to these objections. I trust that you will give serious consideration to the impact this development would have on our community.