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Subject: Strong Opposition to the Proposed Development Plan for the Organic Waste Facility in Lidcombe

Dear Cumberland council

I hope this email finds you well. As a proud first home owner in Lidcombe, I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed development plan for the construction of an organic waste facility in our beloved suburb. Lidcombe holds great sentimental value for my family, and we cherish the current lifestyle and tranquility it offers. I implore you to reconsider this development plan, as it poses significant threats to our community's well-being and quality of life.

I would like to highlight the following key reasons for my objections:

- 1. Traffic Congestion:** Lidcombe already faces challenges due to limited access from surrounding suburbs, especially along Parramatta Rd and Arthur St traffic lights. Introducing 59 large trucks, each measuring 20 meters in length, and allowing up to 118 truck movements per day would exacerbate our existing congestion issues. This heavy influx of vehicles would create an intolerable situation for Lidcombe residents, causing inconvenience and potential safety hazards.
- 2. Air, Noise, and Soil Pollution:** The proposed organic waste facility would inevitably lead to the release of harmful emissions, noise disturbances, and the risk of soil pollution. Such pollution would have a detrimental impact on the overall well-being of our community, affecting our health and the environment we call home.
- 3. Dust Fumes and Bad Odor:** The operation of an organic waste facility is likely to produce dust fumes and unpleasant odors, which would permeate the air in our suburb. This not only tarnishes the tranquil atmosphere we currently enjoy but also compromises the quality of life for Lidcombe residents, making our homes less desirable and comfortable.
- 4. Impact on Tranquility:** Lidcombe is known for its peaceful surroundings and serene atmosphere, which provides solace to its residents. The construction of an organic waste facility would disrupt this tranquility, introducing constant noise, increased activity, and visual disturbances that would negatively impact the character of our suburb.
- 5. Health and Safety Concerns:** The proximity of the proposed facility to residential areas raises legitimate concerns regarding the health and safety of Lidcombe residents. Potential accidents related to increased truck traffic and the release of hazardous substances during waste processing pose unnecessary risks to our community, particularly to vulnerable populations such as children

and the elderly.

6. **Negative Property Value Impact:** 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 young families and secure their retirement. The construction of an organic waste facility would inevitably lead to a decrease in property values, jeopardizing the financial stability and future plans of these homeowners.

7. **Adverse Impact on Residential, Commercial, and Recreational Environment:** The presence of an organic waste facility would undoubtedly have a detrimental effect on the overall environment of Lidcombe. Residential areas, commercial establishments, and recreational spaces would suffer from the negative perception associated with such a facility, potentially discouraging future growth and development in our suburb.

8. **Cost Burden of Roadworks:** The ongoing heavy vehicle use associated with the organic waste facility would place a significant burden on our local infrastructure. Lidcombe residents should not bear the cost of roadworks damaged by the increased traffic and subsequent wear and tear caused by heavy vehicles.

In conclusion, the proposed development plan for an organic waste facility in Lidcombe must be reconsidered. The adverse effects on traffic congestion, pollution, tranquility, health and safety, property values, and the overall environment are too significant to ignore. I implore you to engage in open dialogue with the community and seek alternative solutions that prioritize the well-being and aspirations of Lidcombe residents.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my objections. I trust that you will carefully evaluate the concerns raised and make a decision that safeguards the cherished lifestyle and sentiment of our community.

