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Dear Councillors

I am writing to you regarding the proposed development of an Organic Waste Transfer Station (Rubbish Tip) at 109A Church Street, Lidcombe.

[REDACTED] and we strongly object to the proposed Rubbish Tip being built at 109A Church Street, Lidcombe for the following reasons.

1. The Rubbish Tip will be too close to residential properties and will have a significant negative impact to our Lidcombe area. The proposed Rubbish Tip site is located 100 metres away from local residential properties and it will be just 2 minutes drive or about 10 minutes away from our home, which is far too close.
2. The Rubbish Tip will also be too close to schools, child care centres, aged care facilities, parks, businesses and the Lidcombe train station, where there are lots of people driving and walking to and from Lidcombe to their schools, child care centres, aged care facilities, parks and businesses.
3. As there are two primary schools near my home, many child care centres and a couple of aged-care facilities, many families drive their children to and from school in the morning and afternoon. Many families come to visit their elderly family members in the aged care facilities. If there are large garbage trucks driving through our Lidcombe streets, it would be a danger to families with small children as it will have a serious impact on the safety of school children walking to and from school.
4. As there are also aged care and self-managed aged care facilities in Lidcombe, there are also many senior citizens living in our area. As small children and the elderly tend to walk slowly, the truck drivers may not be patient enough to slow down their driving to allow children and the elderly to cross the pedestrian areas, or be mindful of other cars.
5. Due to the speed humps that were installed on Mary Street near the school zone, I have noticed that more trucks drive through Doodson Avenue and Frederick Street to turn into Mary Street, which has increased the traffic noise in our small street. This has increased the noise levels during the day and the noise levels have increased, particularly, at night. At the moment, there is only one-sided parking and cars have to give way to allow passage. If the Rubbish Tip is erected at Church Street, I am concerned there will be even more traffic through our small street, then not only will the noise levels increase further during the day and night, the roads will be damaged by heavier and larger garbage trucks.
6. If the large garbage trucks drive through our Lidcombe suburb to the Rubbish Tip every Monday to Friday from 6am to 10pm and on Saturday from 8am to 6pm, it will create constant noise and air pollution. We won't be able to have any sleep at all with the constant, loud traffic noise and it would be harmful to our health. The large garbage trucks would increase noise levels

dramatically. I am already experiencing lack of sleep with the constant traffic noise late at night with trucks driving through Frederick Street, as well as the planes flying late at night and early morning now. If there are also large garbage trucks in our Lidcombe streets for 6 out of 7 days, all day long, how are residents able to have a decent night's sleep?

7. Having a Rubbish Tip at the proposed site will also create air and soil pollution due to the rubbish processing and this would harm the health of residents, particularly, those with respiratory conditions. One of my family member has a pre-existing respiratory condition. The constant air and noise pollution would be harmful to their health, if a Rubbish Tip was located so close to our home.
8. Church Street has single-lane traffic in both directions. If such large garbage trucks with a length of 20 metres drive through our Lidcombe streets, then there will be non-stop noise and constant traffic jams along the single-laned roads for each direction.
9. There is already a new development of 3-5 blocks of units along Church Street that is just about to be completed and there will be hundreds of new residents moving in soon. No doubt many of them will have cars and I envisage there will be many more cars travelling along Church Street with increased traffic congestion in both directions.
10. With the increase in heavy trucks using the roads in our Lidcombe area, it will certainly damage our local roads due to the heavy vehicles and local residents will end up paying for the costs of roadworks and repairs. which would be unfair to local residents, given the current costs of living crisis we are going through now.
11. When my family first moved to Lidcombe, the rubbish tip was located at the current site of the current Olympic Park Stadium. At that time, I thought the rubbish tip was in an ideal location in the industrial area and away from the residential area. However, it does not makes sense to build a new Rubbish Tip in the middle of a residential area where there are more residential high-density apartments being built all around Lidcombe Station than ever before.
12. The Rubbish Tip should be located in an industrial area and far away from residential properties because the dust fumes and the processing of waste would emit pungent smells, which will negatively impact on the health of local residents.

Thank you for considering my submission. Please let me know if you have any queries or wish to discuss.