

**To:** Records Department  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Concerns Re: Application NO. DA2023/0130

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Dear team members and representatives of the Cumberland Council,

I'd like to submit my concerns about Application No DA2023/0130 re: the organic waste facility scheduled to be developed at 109A Church St Lidcombe.

To be clear, I oppose the development of the organic waste facility to continue or proceed.

I am aware that an organic waste facility increases job opportunities and reduces the amount of landfill and methane emissions for our environment through composting. However, I am concerned about the following aspects:

It is very near to the residential areas, child care centres, local primary schools, council park area and in close proximity to the 4 new apartment blocks soon to be erected along the train line.

This waste facility is also not too far from where I live in the Botanica Estate. Currently there's a lot of heavy traffic and foot traffic across Joseph St, East St, Arthur St, Centenary Drive, and Parramatta Rd 24/7. With the addition of a future organic waste facility, there would be more trucks, air pollution and noise pollution around the residential areas driving through the areas early in the hours of the morning and late into the evening. Hours of operation would be a huge concern for many locals.

The nearby businesses and passengers at Lidcombe Train station will also be impacted with the odours and unpleasant smells that linger in the air from organic waste- which could potentially be unhygienic and pose a health risk for all residents, business owners, commuters and customers visiting and passing through the lovely Lidcombe area. It would not be so lovely visiting Lidcombe inhaling the smell of waste.

The nearby Armoury Park, Newington and Bicentennial area was historically wastelands turned into Wetlands. I learned this from reading the pedestrian signs that educate about how we are moving away from wastelands and making it more habitable for birds and native animals. ie "From Wasteland to Wetland".

Moreover, the value of the Lidcombe suburb for property owners will also reduce as a result. People would be deterred from renting, buying or investing into a new property right next to a waste facility.

Please consider my concerns as you review the Application for this waste facility.

Thank you for your time and service for our community.