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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: OBJECT to the development,DA2023/0130,Site:109A Church Street LIDCOMBE NW 2141;Lot 1 DP778492

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To Cumberland Council,

I am writing to express my strong objection to the proposed development of an organic waste transfer station at 109A Church Street, Lidcombe. There are several significant concerns regarding this project that will have a detrimental impact on the surrounding community, including issues related to smell, noise, traffic congestion, and dust fumes. Furthermore, the proximity of newly constructed apartments, situated approximately 100 meters away from the proposed site, will only exacerbate the congestion issues in Lidcombe.

One of the primary concerns is the anticipated increase in traffic congestion resulting from over 100 daily truck movements. Lidcombe already faces significant traffic challenges, and the additional truck traffic generated by the waste transfer station will further compound the problem. This increase in traffic will inconvenience residents, affect the functionality of the roads, and pose potential safety risks. I believe that a project of this nature should be located in a fully industrial area with roads designed to sustain the weight and damage imposed by heavy trucks. Placing it in a suburban setting, amidst large residential areas, is inappropriate and likely to result in numerous negative consequences for the community.

Lidcombe is home to nursing homes and a public school, making it even more crucial to consider the potential adverse effects on these sensitive areas. The odor and noise generated by the waste transfer station will undoubtedly disrupt the lives of residents in close proximity to the site. Even with proper covering, there is a risk of rubbish flying out of the trucks during transportation, leading to environmental and health concerns. Moreover, the smell is likely to spread as the trucks traverse the area, affecting a larger portion of the community.

The Cumberland Development Control Plan (DCP) specifies operating timeframes from 7 am to 6 pm every day, except Sundays. However according to the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), the proposed operating hours for the facility range from 6 am to 10 pm on weekdays and 8 am to 6 pm on Saturdays. It is important to note that the proposed hours significantly exceed the allowable time frame outlined in the DCP, which raises questions about adherence to local regulations.

In light of these concerns, I urge the Cumberland Council to reconsider the proposed development and seek an alternative location that is more suitable for an organic waste transfer station. It is vital to prioritize the well-being and quality of life for the residents of Lidcombe and ensure the sustainable and responsible development of the area. Thank you for your attention to this matter. I trust that you will take into account the objections raised and make a decision in the best interest of the community.

Sincerely,