

To: Records Department
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: DA2023/0130 109A Church St, Lidcombe: Objection to Organic Waste Facility
Attachments: Lidcombe Normal Traffic Bottlenecks July 2023.jpg

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Hi Cumberland Council - please also see attached screenshot of Lidcombe on Google Maps where I have marked up all the bottlenecks I experience in my day to day life in red. Particularly, Homebush Bay Drive and Arthur St, and Parramatta Road through Lidcombe and Auburn are ALWAYS on the radio as "bumper to bumper".

Don't allow another facility to increase traffic, especially truck traffic, to an already congested area.

And please collaborate with State Govt to alleviate pressure of these roads and give residents a fair go!

Hi Council,

My name [redacted] I am a long time resident of Lidcombe. Of my 35 years of life, I have lived in Lidcombe for 33 years and currently live in Lidcombe now. My details are as follows:

I am vehemently against the approval of an Organic Waste Facility in Lidcombe. My objections are as follows:

1. Traffic: Lidcombe density and traffic is already a problem. It is a thoroughfare suburb with an increasing number of high-rise apartments built in the last 5 years and with more to come. Key traffic problem areas include:
 - Vaughan St/Olympic Park lights: with traffic coming from the south, seeking to head north or east through Lidcombe. The location of 109A Church St necessitates crossing Olympic Drive at this or some other point to go to that address
 - Arthur St and Homebush Bay drive: traffic coming from east to south or vice versa, or along Homebush Bay Drive from the north, crossing through Lidcombe. Again the location of 109A church St necessitates the use of Homebush Bay drive and Arthur St to reach the waste facility.
 - Parramatta Road: the stretch from Flemington all the way to Auburn (Silverwater Road) is known to be notoriously slow. Once again, coming from the east or west, requires any traffic related to the organic waste site to pass through these roads.

These traffic areas are ALREADY a problem and require SIGNIFICANT State and Local collaboration to solve, so that it does not entrench a permanent underclass west and south of Lidcombe because they are unable to travel to the east and north.

2. Smell and Rubbish: I understand the new facility is 80m from the nearest residential location. This is unacceptable. Consider if this facility was to built in any suburb east or north of Lidcombe and you know it would not even be considered. Council and State Govt needs to step up here to protect the amenity of a growing residential suburb and not allow a rubbish tip so close to the residential areas. There are plenty of large industrial areas that could accommodate a facility like this, in close proximity to Lidcombe - eg: Chullora, Regents Park industrial area, where the entire area has no residential. These areas are a more appropriate area for this type of development.

3. Hours of Operation: Lidcombe is already a thoroughfare suburb surrounded by large arterial roads. However, there is a growing residential community and a growing nightlife in Lidcombe, famous for Korean food and culture. This has happened almost organically with migrant entrepreneurs seeking to invest into Lidcombe. This fuels residential development and good communities living in the area. Adding a rubbish tip with operating hours LARGER than the industrial zoning LEP is taking a major step backwards. Lidcombe has so much potential, and it would be such a shame to approve this development and take such a big step back. Again, residential development just 80m away mean that the truck noise will be affecting other residents.

Cumberland Council, please hear my voice on this. I just want my family to grow in a decent neighbourhood, with growing amenity, thriving multiculturalism and a safe environment. Stop this organic waste facility from being developed and allow Lidcombe to keep thriving despite the challenges it already has! Don't add another one please!

If you would like to reach out at all, feel free to contact my mobile at any time.

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