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[EXTERNAL] : Objection to the Application for an Organic Waste Transfer Station,

109A Church St, Lidcombe in a Residential Area - DA 2023/0130

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Subject: Objection to the Application for an Organic Waste Transfer Station, 109A CHurch St, Lidcombe in a Residential Area - 2023/0130 Dear Cumberland City Council,

I am writing to express my deep concerns and strong opposition to the proposed construction and operation of an organic waste transfer station in close proximity to my residential premises. As a sole trader running my business from home, I strongly believe that this proposal would have severe negative impacts on my business operations and the overall well-being of the residential area. I respectfully request that you reject this proposal, considering the significant disruptions and potential hazards it would pose to local businesses and residents.

I would like to bring the following points to your attention:

- Disruptions to Business Operations: The anticipated increase in traffic due to the operation of the waste transfer station would cause significant disruptions to my business operations. With an estimated 120 trucks moving daily, and up to 700 truck movements in a week between the proposal hours of 6:00 am and 8:00 pm, 6 days a week, the congestion and noise generated would severely impact the flow of customers and compromise the quality of services I provide as a sole trader.
- Traffic Safety Hazards: The substantial increase in truck movements in the residential area raises significant safety concerns for pedestrians, including children and the elderly. The constant stream of heavy vehicles poses risks of accidents, making it unsafe for residents and customers to navigate the area. These safety hazards would further hinder business activities and discourage potential customers from visiting the area.
- Negative Impacts on Residential Environment: The operation of an organic waste transfer station in close proximity to residential properties would result in foul odours and potential air pollution. These odours and pollutants have the potential to decrease the quality of life for residents and create an unpleasant living environment. Such adverse conditions would negatively affect the overall well-being and satisfaction of residents, including myself.
- Property Value Decline: The presence of a waste transfer station near residential properties has been known to lead to a decline in property values. This decline in property values would not only affect homeowners looking to sell their properties but also impact the financial stability and future prospects of residents. It is crucial to preserve the property values and investments made by residents in the area.

Considering the significant disruptions, hazards, and negative impacts on both businesses and residents, I strongly urge the Cumberland City Council to reject the proposed organic waste transfer station. I kindly request that you prioritise the well-being and interests of the local community by exploring alternative locations that would minimise these adverse effects.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and I trust that you will carefully consider the concerns raised by myself and other affected residents. I look forward to hearing about the council's decision and remain

hopeful that it will be in favour of preserving the residential environment and supporting the local businesses.

Yours sincerely,