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## Dear Sir/Madam.

I am deeply concerned by the proposed development mentioned above, particularly due to its close proximity to the densely populated area of Lidcombe. The proposed site is situated near various important facilities such as schools, churches, the train station, the main shopping street, and a newly developed unit complex along the railway tracks. Considering the potential implications for public health, road safety, environmental well-being, and traffic congestion, I kindly request that the proposed development application (DA) be rejected.

It is worth noting that the construction of the unsightly block of units by the railway tracks, located just a short distance from the proposed site for the tip, should not have been approved by the council. Unfortunately, the unit complex has already been built. As responsible stewards of the community, it is only logical for the council to disapprove the current DA for the tip. It is simply not feasible to have both the unit complex and the tip in such close proximity, especially when the financial burden ultimately falls on us, the ratepayers.

We have already incurred expenses for roadworks necessitated by the construction of the new units. Now, we are expected to bear the costs associated with the maintenance and reparations that would inevitably arise if the proposed DA is approved. These potential costs include road damage caused by the increased truck traffic, the need for monitoring and handling complaints regarding the operating hours, noise, and odour of the tip, implementing traffic control measures to ensure road safety—especially on Church Street, which is a busy thoroughfare—conducting fire control checks and policing, particularly with the approaching El Niño, and enforcing air pollution control measures.

As a taxpayer and ratepayer, I strongly object to incurring these additional expenses. I trust and expect that the voices of Lidcombe residents, who contribute through rates and rely on the council's representation, will be the determining factor in how our funds are allocated and our suburb is shaped. Therefore, I urge the council to reject this DA, thereby restoring our confidence and trust in its decision-making process.

Regards,

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