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Organisation:	N/A		Social impacts, Visual impacts, design and landscaping,Land use compatibility (surrounding land uses),Traffic,Other issues
Location:	New South Wales 2577		
Attachment:	N/A		

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Dear Commissioner Mills and IPC Council,

So when will we have to move?

Despite only being **the second second**, this is the question my son asked, who already has an understanding of the impact that a plastics refinery of this size will have on his home town and his environment.

Our family (who live in Moss Vale) and my business (which is also located in Moss Vale) would be impacted by the proposed facility, through both impact on our environment and flow of people to and within our town.

We are passionate about the environment and believe that Australia should be managing our plastic waste.

The Southern Highlands as a community is passionate about the care of our environment.

Bundanoon was the first town in the country to ban plastic bottles. Moss Vale has fought before to protect our environment from a mine proposed by Hume Coal.

The site proposed in Moss Vale is not the right site.

The proposed site is close to multiple primary schools and childcare facilities. It is close to our community cricket ground (where Bradman made his first double centaury).

The water from this region flows directly into to the Sydney water catchment and therefore has the ability to contaminate not only our water supply, but also that of Sydney.

Limiting our time outdoors (as suggested in the proposal) is not an appropriate management strategy and an admission that there will be environmental pollution.

The company proposing construction has limited experience and I believe a poor track record (involving environmental damage) overseas.

Therefore I do not believe that they should be trusted with such an important project, which has the possibility of catastrophic impact on our community and our environment.

This parcel of land should be being farmed not used for plastic management.

*I implore you to consider closely the decision to place this plastics refinery in Moss Vale and the impact it would have on our environment and on our community.* 

We need facilities to manage our waste, but Moss Vale is not the right site.