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OBJECT

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to formally object to the proposed Plasrefine plastics recycling facility at 74-76 Beaconsfield Road, Moss Vale.

I'm a concerned parent, local business owner, and proud member of our Southern Highlands community, to express my strong opposition to the proposed Plasrefine plastics recycling facility in Moss Vale.

Our family has lived in the Southern Highlands for over 20 years and as we all know it is renowned for its natural beauty and tranquil environment. We moved permanently to Bowral 4 years ago from Sydney for the clean air, calm environment and vibrant sense of community and to raise our 2 children in this wonderful country, regional environment.

We are therefore highly concerned with the proposed site for this plastics recycling facility in Beaconsfield Road, Moss Vale. This area is a community hub of activity. Let me bring this important area to life for you to show how what it means to our young family:

1. We have a young son, who loves sport and plays basketball in the [REDACTED] at the [REDACTED]. He has been playing there now for 4 years and is now a referee and we are there weekly.
2. Just down the road from here, we regularly buy beautiful fresh flowers from a small flower farm in Beaconsfield Road
3. We take our Miniature Schnauzer Pepper to get groomed at a small business in Beaconsfield Road. They have a beautiful open space with horses and my children love to pat them every time they visit.
4. Our children attend [REDACTED] and loves playing outdoor sports as well. Most weekends all of the families and grandparents (and pets) are down at the local playing fields, one key one is Brayfields Oval, which is just down the road from Oxley College in Railway Road Burradoo. This open playing field is right on the Wingecarribee River and will be only a few kilometers (as the crow flies) from this proposed facility location which just sends shivers down my spine.

As a parent, I am deeply troubled by the potential health risks this facility may pose to our children. The increased heavy vehicle traffic near the local schools, local sporting facilities and residential areas raises safety concerns. Additionally, the possibility of air and water pollution from the facility threatens the health of our most vulnerable residents. The facility's 24/7 operations would introduce air pollution, significant noise, traffic, and potential environmental and safety hazards into our daily lives, posing unacceptable risks to our community's well-being.

Furthermore, our local, regional economy thrives on small businesses and tourism. We own a local business and have a Studio in Bowral. We focus on sustainability with our product range and one main attraction to buy our range over imported goods is that it is Hand Made in Bowral. The Southern Highlands has an important 'brand' per-se, and is renowned for its clean air, healthy lifestyle and true regional, community feel. The introduction of a large industrial facility could tarnish this positioning, deterring visitors and disrupting the charm that attracts tourists to our region. The increased traffic congestion and potential environmental



degradation may discourage patrons from supporting local enterprises such as ours, and essentially threatening our livelihoods.

Tourism is key to the continued growth and viability of our region and our business. The Southern Highlands is renowned for its natural beauty and tranquil environment, drawing visitors from near and far. We participate in many local Events with the most significant being the annual Tulip Time Festival, which attracts tens of thousands of visitors each year to see our beautiful, clean and colourful Tulip flower displays.

These events are integral to our community's identity and economy. The establishment of a massive industrial facility contradicts the essence of our community and the fresh, clean, unique environment we have to offer. The potential for pollution and environmental degradation could tarnish our reputation as a premier tourist destination, leading to a decline in visitor numbers and ultimately economic downturn.

In conclusion, while I acknowledge the importance of recycling and waste management, the proposed facility is not the right location. I urge you to please consider the long-term implications on our future generations, all local residents, our local businesses, and our unique environment, and to stop this development.

Thank you for considering my submission.
