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OBJECT

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*Areas of concern:*

- *The lack of transparency about the project, the process and the outcome.*
- *The lack of consultation with the people of the region.*
- *The environmental impact is of grave concern*
- *The lack of available information regarding the construction and operation of the plant*
- *Why has a toxic waste plant received approval to be built near a residential area. Yes, it is residential (although not on paper.), there are hundreds of houses within a short distance.*
- *Why is there no buffer zone?*
- *This is clearly not the right site!*
- *Where is the EPA and Sydney Water in all this? After all The Southern Highlands is the catchment area for Sydney's drinking water.*
- *Only 9% of plastics get recycled. This will only perpetuate the problem.*
- *It's very difficult to recycle plastic as it has to be clean and pure and it's extremely difficult to achieve this due to contamination. How much energy, water and other chemicals are required to achieve a zero sum gain? Please tell me.*
- *Fact. Recycled plastics are more toxic than virgin plastics.*
- *We already have a massive problem with leaching, hormone disruptors, micro and nano plastics in our environment. Recycled plastics are far more toxic and difficult to use in manufacturing.*
- *Why is our money being used to fund this?*
- *Why all the secrecy? What is there to hide?*
- *Have all the local businesses, schools, environmental experts, indigenous people, hospitals and emergency services been consulted?*
- *Why not choose a more suitable location instead of one bordering a residential area? There may be dozens of potential locations.*
- *We do not have the infrastructure to cope with this. We already have black outs and brown outs before this even gets off the ground.*
- *We do not have the water supply, the power supply or the roads to run such a plant.*
- *Our tourist trade will plummet. People come here for peace, quiet, fresh air, trees and nature and to visit our quaint and beautiful historic villages. Instead they will find a toxic waste plant the size of Westfields. Something to be proud of.*



- *Real estate values will plummet, and no one will want to come to a toxic town.*
  - *What happens in the event of a fire? Dozens of plants have burnt down all over the world. We do not have the fire fighting capacity for an industrial fire. The nearest will be at least an hour away! We don't even have full time fire fighters in any local town!*
  - *In case you are unaware, the Southern Highlands Innovation Park (SHIP) will be in this area and is regionally significant, provides a unique opportunity to attract sustainable and innovative industries and become a major employer and economic driver for the Shire and the broader region.*
  - *Instead of a world class Technology and Innovation hub (SHIP) we get this! No innovative company will want to be with 100km of us. Our future and our children's futures will be destroyed.*
  - *What about the health risks not only to our residents but to the millions who live downstream and will get the chemicals and contamination leaching into the soil, waterways and air.*
  - *Why risk destroying one of the most beautiful and desirable regions of Australia? What will this achieve?*
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