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To the decision makers at the IPC:

My husband and I are planning to move to Moss Vale soon. We chose it because it's a relatively quiet town and we love the local community and the clear Highland air. I'm a supporter of plastics recycling and the need to reduce things going to landfill, but I'm against the proposed facility being at Beaconsfield Road for a number of reasons.

First, it's far too close to existing dwellings. The town has been growing in every direction in recent years and near the proposed site there are a number of new builds and, I expect more to come. Where we live at the moment is quite close to a paper mill, with Port Botany not that much further off, and there are regular issues of smell and light pollution, never mind the waste water or other issues. How much worse that would be in a place that is so much cleaner and quieter? It's such a bad idea!

Second, the proposed site is not far from one of the local creek systems. It seems extraordinary to me that, in 2024 when we know so much more about the dangers of pollution to the water, air and soil that a large facility making goodness knows how much waste could be considered on the literal outskirts of a population centre.

Third, Moss Vale is - as I said before - a fairly quiet town. A large recycling facility like this would result in a constant stream of deliveries from huge trucks, not to mention transporting any recycled product afterwards. This is too much for a small town in terms of the frequency of such deliveries, not to mention the potential noise pollution. Again, living close to industrial locations at the moment gives me a pretty clear insight into what this would be like. Why do you think we want to move somewhere quieter and cleaner?!

Fourth, the local council is unanimously against the project in its current location. I am sure the councillors are aware of the opportunity of more local jobs the centre could provide, but clearly, for them, the environmental risks outweigh any benefits.

This is not some kind of NIMBYism. The recycling centre is an important idea and it needs to be implemented. But the proposed site is the wrong place for it. It needs to be further from any population centre and water system to reduce the impacts of noise, light, water, soil and traffic pollution now and into the future.

Please reject this proposal as it currently stands and require the developers to find an alternative site further from a residential population. Thank you.
