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I am an Early Childhood Teacher at a child care centre 200m from the proposed site of the Plasrefine facility. The child care centre IS at 50 Beaconsfield Road, 200m from the proposed site. The child care centre caters for 46 children per day and approx 120 children over the whole week. So each morning and afternoon there are approx 60 cars entering the child care centre and again in the afternoons, so that's 120 cars at least entering and leaving from and onto Beaconsfield Road 200m from proposed site.

We cater for 0-6 yr old children who play outside throughout the day 200m from the proposed Plasrefine site.

I have huge concerns in regards to the pollution from the proposed facility along with the 200 trucks proposed to be driving past the child care centre everyday and the pollution from their exhausts etc. Plus the loud noises trucks make as they drive past impacting on children's rest and sleep times.

Beaconsfield Road is lucky to be wide enough for two cars to past and when there is a garbage truck on Beaconsfield Road cars need to negotiate slowly past the truck.

We already have issues with airborne pollens and rubbish tip smells plus occasional sewerage odours after heavy rain. This results in us bringing our children inside to play but it is occasionally not daily.

Already that's not fair that children's outside play is being impacted by external sources let alone adding another, preventable, air pollutant to the scenario.

I believe the company who will own and operate the facility already has a questionable track record for pollution monitoring and management.

Do we really want our young and vulnerable children to be the guinea pigs in this situation?

Do we really want to experiment with their health short term AND long term?

It seems too easy for big companies to ignore and pretend their actions are safe and then they just pay compensation to sick and dying people down the track in 20 or so years later.

Move the site away from young children and families and any future potential health problems will be avoided except for the workers at the Plasrefine facility.
