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OBJECT

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The risk to Sydney's drinking water " the most precious of resources for life " is too high. For the reasons explained by consultant scientists and experts, the project will endanger water quality, wildlife, public health and increase plastic particle pollution at a time when we are beginning to realise that plastic particle pollution is an environmental catastrophe.

As a journalist and researcher, I despair at the short-sightedness of this project. The type of recycling proposed is a stop-gap that will quickly be obsolete but before it is obsolete it will cause irreversible environmental damage.

These are the strategies that will better address the problem of plastic recycling globally:

- reduce the use of plastic except where it is essential and uses including medical, veterinary, transport etc. Stop single use plastic. Stop lazy habits that use plastic unnecessarily. It may be cheap to buy but it is not cheap to remove from the environment.*
- disable the influence of plastic industry lobby groups on decision making with regards to plastic use and plastic recycling.*
- use non-polluting forms of plastic recycling and degradation that are already in development and in some cases in use.*

These strategies to mitigate further damage caused by plastic manufacture and plastic recycling must be implemented urgently and regressive options like Plasrefine should not be given the go-ahead.

The location of this project is wrong. The size of the building is wrong in an area that has an important tourism industry with many sites of cultural and historical significance.

The pollution and negative impact on community amenity caused by Plasrefine traffic is not acceptable.

Having attended various meetings where Plasrefine put its case, I have not changed my opinion that this project is wrong.

Please do NOT approve the Plasrefine project in Moss Vale.
