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I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed recycling plant being built by an inexperienced owner near residential areas. I believe this project poses significant risks to our environment, public health, and the local community.

## ENVIRONMENTAL RISKS AND WATERWAY CONTAMINATION

The proposed location is in close proximity to vital local waterways, and I am deeply concerned that the plant's operations will inevitably lead to contamination of our precious water resources. With no proven track record or experience in managing large scale recycling facilities, the owner may not have the necessary expertise to ensure proper safeguards are in place to prevent harmful waste runoff, hazardous chemicals, and pollutants from entering nearby rivers or groundwater. The consequences of such contamination could be devastating to local ecosystems and the overall health of the community.

## AIR QUALITY CONCERNS

Additionally, the proposed recycling facility could significantly impact local air quality. Recycling operations often generate harmful emissions, including particulate matter, volatile organic compounds, and other pollutants that can contribute to respiratory issues, particularly in residential areas. The plants location, too close to homes, schools and public spaces, will put vulnerable populations at risk of exposure to these harmful substances.

## CLOSE PROXIMITY TO RESIDENTIAL HOMES

The fact that this facility will be constructed so close to residential areas raises serious concerns about noise pollution, doors, and the overall quality of life for those living nearby. I fear the plant's operations will cause daily disturbances and reduce property values, making the area less liable for families and individuals who have invested in their homes and their community. The lack of a buffer zone between the recycling plant and residential properties further exacerbates these risks.

## LACK OF EXPERIENCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

I am particularly concerned about the owners lack of experience in managing such a complex and potentially hazardous operation. A facility of this nature requires a high level of expertise in environmental protection, health and safety protocols, and regulatory compliance. Given the owners lack of background in these areas, there is a significant risk that the plant will not operate in a manner that protects the environment, the public, and the surrounding communities.

## INCREASED TRAFFIC MOVEMENTS ON LOCAL ROADS

One of the most pressing concerns regarding this facility is the substantial increase in traffic movements on already congested local roads. Recycling plants typically require regular deliveries of raw materials and transportation of processed materials, which would lead to a significant rise in truck traffic. This increase in heavy vehicle traffic will put additional strain on local roads, increase the risk of accidents, and exacerbate existing traffic congestion, making it more difficult and dangerous for residents and commuters to navigate. Further more, the added traffic could cause wear and tear on infrastructure, resulting in higher maintenance costs for local authorities and potential safety hazards.



# CONCLUSION

In light of these serious concerns, I strongly urge you to reconsider the approval of this recycling plant. The risks our environment, public health, local infrastructure, and the quality of life for nearby residents are too great, especially with an owner who lacks the necessary experience to manage such a facility responsibly. We must prioritise the well being and the long term health of our environment over the interests of an unqualified owner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.