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Organisation: N/A	Key issues: Social impacts, Visual impacts, design and landscaping, Land use compatibility (surrounding land uses), Traffic, Other issues	
Location: New South Wales 2576		
Attachment: Attached overleaf		

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Re: Proposed Plasrefine Plastics Recycling Facility

74-76 Beaconsfield Rd, Moss Vale NSW 2577

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The area in general cannot support the influx of heavy trucks (up to 50 per day) thundering through the small towns and clogging access from the highway to local businesses and homes. Our towns are already compromised with heavy traffic from the thousands of new families who have chosen a quieter, rural life and who have invested in recently built homes and relocated to the highlands for the lifestyle, excellent local schools and ~village feel' on offer.

Hazardous pollution emitted from smoke, microplastic sludge waste and airborne, noise, dust and toxic fumes are a real health hazard to residents near and far. Should a fire occur at the facility, which has been evident at many other plastics recycling facilities, (recently nearby Picton), there is no capability of local ~on call' fire services to deal with a HAZMAT disaster of such a monumental scale. This would also cause evacuation of thousands of residents.

The bulk and scale of this huge structure is a blight on the beautiful landscape of the Southern Highlands, with 22+ metre exhaust stacks, 15+ metre building height, a footprint of 8 football fields, brightly lit up and operating 24/7, and visible for miles.

Being adjacent to residential properties and a childcare facility is clearly the wrong location for such an enormous structure, with the final design and details yet to be accurately documented and finalised ~after approval'! It will not be in any way architecturally sympathetic and will be concerningly detrimental to residential property values near and far in adjoining towns.

The impact on wildlife, water quality containing microplastics (and supplying Sydney's water), endangered trees and vegetation are also of critical concern as it is not an approved heavy industry site, and does not support council's ~clean and green' vision for that location. Council is not supportive of this proposal at all.



The Southern Highlands is a rapidly growing area that prides itself on its natural beauty, clean air, historic charm, food and wine culture and relaxed lifestyle, attracting tourists from far and wide. This proposal is not in any way ~in keeping' with the values of the highlands and should be located in a more remote area.



A plastics recycling facility will detrimentally affect the area in every way forever and is clearly the wrong location and not the right site! It is a serious industrial operation in a residential area. It could open the floodgates for other inappropriate developments to follow in its footsteps.

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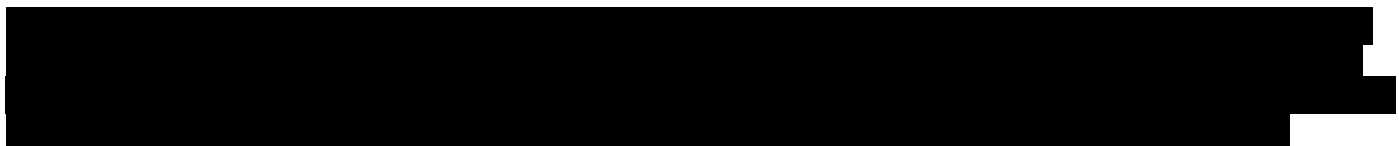
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