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OBJECT

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Imagine you have been dreaming of how you want to develop that area outside your kitchen windows into a lovely BBQ patio. You've been looking at brochures for BBQs, scanning outdoor furniture sales for bargains, and your social media algorithm has figured out that you want to see videos of influencers cooking delicious summertime meals for gatherings of friends and family,

And then, in the midst of all this, you get officially notified that the council is planning to allow a rubbish skip to be placed INSIDE YOUR YARD, right under your window. Right where your lovely outdoor patio was going to be. A transfer depot is needed and your patio area, thanks to some weird development loophole from before you bought your house, has been identified as belonging to the shire. Trucks will be bringing garbage and dumping it in the skip - and bigger trucks will be coming to scoop the garbage out of the skip to take it to landfill. But it will only be a few times a day that this happens...So it shouldn't be a big deal, right? The company that owns the skip is promising that there won't be a bad smell because the skip has a lid and each time a truck dumps more garbage in it, they will be sure to bang the lid shut again. Yes, there will be flies and rodents but that is good for the local economy because it will increase pest control jobs.

Oh, your BBQ area? There is still plenty of room for that - so quit your whingeing - right next to the huge skip! PLENTY of room! And the view out your kitchen window? Well, it will really only be an issue when the lid is open, right? How big is this skip going to be you ask? How big is a piece of string? We aren't really 100% sure yet but the skip company assures us that they only use skips that are brand new. Plus, we saw their drawings and the skip looks very fancy so we actually think it will increase your enjoyment of your property! You can even put some new orange cushions on your outdoor lounge set to match the bright hi-viz orange paint of the skip. It'll look LOVELY!!

And when you beg for this not to happen, they look at you, perplexed, and ask you to tell them where SHOULD it be put? (As if it's YOUR responsibility to suggest an alternative!)

Wouldn't you fight with everything you had to try to get council to see reason, to see how bloody unfair this would be? To find somewhere MORE SUITABLE and LESS UNFAIR to put their awful skip? You aren't trying to rid the world of skips! But there must be a more appropriate location - one that doesn't ruin the enjoyment of your property.

How would you feel in this scenario? Helpless? Furious? Distraught? All three emotions plus a few more?

That is not only how everyone living in the IMMEDIATELY SURROUNDS of this proposed monstrosity of indeterminate height ("stacks" with no mention of dimensions) feels - it's how locals from the farthest corners of the Highlands feel! It's how the tourism industry in the Southern Highlands feels. It's how anyone who cares about environmental safety feels.

A TOXIC INDUSTRIAL SITE of VAGUE DIMENSIONS which will waft MICROPLASTICS into the atmosphere and straight into SYDNEY'S NEARBY WATER CATCHMENT does NOT BELONG in the Southern Highlands!!!!!!

FIND ANOTHER LOCATION!!! The one proposed is a MILLION PERCENT INAPPROPRIATE. My brain is telling me I should end this on a courteous note but I'm too angry.