



ROBERT EVANS

OBJECT

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

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I'm writing to strongly object to the proposal to build the Plasrefine facility in Moss Vale. The chosen location for this facility is simply the wrong site for a project of this nature, and I believe there are more suitable, less disruptive locations away from residential communities.

*****Incompatible with the Character and Needs of Moss Vale*****

The Southern Highlands is a region known for its natural beauty, tourism, and agricultural land, all of which rely on a clean, peaceful environment. Moss Vale, in particular, is not an industrial hub, and locating a plastic processing facility here is not aligned with the community's character or needs. Facilities like Plasrefine belong in carefully chosen industrial areas, away from residential neighborhoods, schools, and farmland, where they will not pose risks to public health and the environment.

*****Environmental and Health Risks to the Community*****

This location raises significant concerns about the potential for environmental contamination. The risk of pollutants impacting our local waterways, soil, and air quality is considerable. Facilities like these are known for the challenges of managing emissions and accidental leaks, and placing such a facility close to a community like Moss Vale increases the risk to residents' health—especially for children, the elderly, and those with respiratory issues. Choosing a more remote site would reduce these risks.

*****Traffic and Infrastructure Strain*****

This project would also place a burden on Moss Vale's infrastructure. The influx of heavy vehicles required for facility operations would create congestion, noise, and road wear that our town is not equipped to manage. This could result in more frequent repairs and increased safety hazards. Placing a facility like this in a less populated area with robust infrastructure in place would make far more sense.

*****More Appropriate Sites Available*****

Australia has numerous industrial sites that are more suited to facilities like this, away from residential communities and environmentally sensitive areas. Instead of forcing this project into Moss Vale, I urge you to consider alternative locations where such a facility would be a better fit. Properly chosen, these sites would not disrupt communities or pose environmental and health risks, allowing the project to proceed without significant local opposition.

For these reasons, I respectfully ask that the Plasrefine facility proposal be reconsidered for a more suitable location, away from Moss Vale and other close-knit residential areas. Our community deserves to maintain its unique character, safety, and environmental health.

Thank you for your time and consideration.