



BARBARA MOORE

OBJECT

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I am an elderly long-term Moss Vale resident. Although concerned for the future of our wonderful Southern Highlands community, I am more worried about the little ones who will inherit this travesty, called Plasrefine and all that it entails. Over the 96 years of my lifetime, I have witnessed many significant events in our changing world, but it is the wonton destruction of our incredibly beautiful environment here in the Highlands that is keeping me awake at night and causing my blood pressure to rise. We are lucky to live in such a highly treasured country area of incredible beauty, which is being eroded by the greed and unfettered desire of developer interests and profits above all else. It truly appalls and alarms me.

I can still clearly remember the small township of Moss Vale as it was, all those decades ago, surrounded by dairy and beef cattle farms, with shops like Suttons, Tooses and Whytes in the main street, my father playing in the band on a Saturday night in Leighton Gardens and having to catch the freight train home on weekdays from Bowral High School. Our community spirit was just as strong then, as it is today. People banded together in times of need to help one another, as they are now, voicing their concerns against something so potentially destructive and devastating, that it almost defies belief.

This Plasrefine project is, for want of a better description, a wolf in sheep's clothing. It is presented under the guise of providing benefits for the community. Helping to solve our plastics recycling problem and creating jobs are among the claims, but to my mind, nothing can justify establishing such a controversial project in an area so close to homes, schools, day care centres and businesses. Most disturbing of all, is the fact that GHD will leave this proposal at the end of the exercise and move on to their next project. In their wake, they will have created for our Highlands community, a diabolical legacy of emissions, contamination, road damage, fire risks, health issues and the list continues. How can this be considered beneficial to anyone but themselves and the proponent? I respectfully ask that the Commissioners help to restore my faith in 'the process' and do not allow this proposal to continue any further. This is not the right site.