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Firstly, I'd like to say we're a family of 3 and I'm a mother of a young son. We have been residents of the Highlands for 9 years and we made a decision this year, to leave Bowral permanently. One of the major reasons was because the State Government wants to approve this facility. That is how absolutely concerned we are; enough to put our house up for sale and leave before the recycling plant becomes a reality.

My husband works in the medical field and we are very aware of what the health repercussions would be.

But also the decrease in value of our house (yes, even in neighbouring Bowral), the impact to traffic, the extreme likeliness of fire risk, the aesthetic eyesore and the environmental and social impact which I believe would be severe.

I'd like to ask the IPC members what you value?

You really hold an entire future of generations in your hands. Australian futures. The very type of future that is increasingly difficult to preserve.

I cannot actually understand why the State Government would leave the responsibility to us to fight; it's outrageous that they will not protect a whole community. And a whole community that is 100% wholly opposed. Unless of course they put foreign politics above local interests?

We are mothers, fathers, children and grandparents - there is a burgeoning spread of young families in the Highlands because it is beautiful, clean and free from extreme pollution.

Take a drive down the Main Street of Moss Vale at rush hour and it's almost as heavy as driving through inner Sydney - we are already bursting at the seams and our infrastructure is currently struggling to cope. I cannot imagine how so many Plasrefine trucks will impact this.

It's not a stretch to imagine a huge fire breaking out; we just don't have the appropriate resources; will everyone close by be safe? How can you know?

IPC you have a major responsibility to make the right choice here - this is a much bigger issue than Plasrefine - it's how did this happen? It will happen again and we must fight for what we value.