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Objection to DA 404 / 2021

I have been living in Greendale for 37 years and live directly opposite the applicants property which I call sludge pit, fly factory, dust bowl and stink hole, thinking he had all the boxes ticked to operate as he has been for the past 8 years. On receiving an application stating that all that has been going on is unauthorized, so I have put up with all this crap while Liverpool Council has known that he was unauthorized to establish and run the business. If this is the case ,I should not be required to write this letter. It should have been shut down.

1) Truck Yard

The 25 acre property consists of house, sheds ,dams, and a truckyard which takes up about 15 acres. The feedlot takes up about 4 acres and remaining grass paddocks about 6 acres.

The current truckyard consists of 20 Trucks, dog trailers, 3 water trucks,3 cattle trucks ,4 transport trucks to transport machines plus 4 service vehicles,3 excavators ,3 bobcats ,3 drot tractors plus. The yard operates 24 hours a day 6 days a week, throughout the Easter break and only closes for 2 weeks over Christmas. I would estimate that between workers coming in and out , truck movements , service mechanics to repair and maintain the fleet in addition to spare parts delivery ,fuel and tyre trucks and trucks carrying bread ,wood shavings , hay, and whatever other crap he feeds these cattle there would be between 120-150 movements per day. The resulting noise, fumes , dust and pressure on Greendale and surrounding roads ,not to mention the aggressive road manner of the truck drivers themselves has caused many local residents distress and damage to vehicles. Should council move to approve the DA every aspect of this situation will not only continue but worsen .

2) Feedlot

The feedlot has been in operation for the past 8 years and at times there could be up to 300 cows at one time with 2 trees for shade. Throughout the extreme 40 degrees plus temperatures endured throughout the previous summer a sprinkler system was fashioned to cool the poor beasts, whereby the cesspool/ dam water which was used was clearly the runoff contaminated by faeces and urine, the sheer thought of this is sickening. The smell, dust and flies generated by this poorly located dam is unbearable. It is completely wrong to treat animals in this way. When it rains they stand in mud knee high for up to a week yet he maintains that they are fed well. He also has 50 sheep on the property.

3) Landscape Supply Business

As if the truckyard and feedlot are not enough, we are now informed through this DA that he wants to put in a Landscape supply business – where will this end?

When the applicant took possession of the residence, the 25 acre block was considered prestige and a lovely entrance to the road greeting visitors as they travelled on to Bents Basin State Recreation

Area. Lovely Ghost gums framed the 4 horse paddocks, green undulating paddocks and gullies have been filled with thousands of tons of dirt so as to create a spot for his truck yard and workshops to service the trucks and associated machinery. The trucks are cleaned with gurneys with the diesel, grease and grime again running straight into the dam.

On my side of the road my adjacent neighbour, Leppington Pastoral Company have over 1700 acres of lush pastures and rolling green hills. Many people can be seen stopping to photograph this magnificent property which further serves to demonstrate the incongruence of intensive unauthorized and mismanaged agricultural practices on a 25-acre land holding in this area.

I hate to think of the consequences of approval of this DA which would only legitimize an operation which has been deceitful and destructive from its inception. In 2026, with Sydney's second airport in operation it is disconcerting to think that one of the views which will greet travelers will be this unsatisfactory feedlot and industrial level truckyard. Similarly visitors to Bents Basin Recreation Area will be sentenced to pass this sludge pit with closed windows to avoid the flies and smell -what a disgraceful outcome for this beautiful area where most residents abide by regulations and zoning to maintain the peaceful rural ambience.

So please consider all the facts before voting on this DA, 90% of Greendale residents are completely opposed to this development and angry that they have been lied to for so long about the legitimacy of the practices on the property. I urge you to make the time to visit the site and connect with residents about the unsatisfactory impact on senses and safety that this DA presents.

