

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing as a concerned parent of a child enrolled at Nought to Five Early Childhood Centre, a not-for-profit, community based childcare facility located near the proposed Woolworth's Customer Fulfilment Centre and Warehouse in Macquarie Park.

While I understand the need for development and economic activity, I have concerns about the potential impacts this particular proposal may have on the local environment — especially for young children in our community and object to this proposed development.

**My key concerns are as follows:**

**1. Traffic and Safety**

The development is expected to bring a significant increase in heavy vehicle and delivery truck movements. This raises concerns about road safety, particularly during peak drop-off and pick-up times when families and young children are present.

**2. Air and Noise Quality**

Increased vehicle activity and industrial operations may affect local air quality and introduce persistent noise. These environmental changes could impact children's outdoor play, rest, and learning experiences.

**3. Suitability for the Local Area**

The proposed facility is located in a precinct that includes homes, schools, and childcare centres. A large-scale industrial warehouse may not align with the character and needs of a family-oriented neighbourhood.

**4. Impact on Early Childhood Development**

Children thrive in calm, safe, and healthy environments. The potential disruptions from this development could affect their wellbeing and the ability of educators to provide high-quality care and learning.

**5. Uncertainty Around Access Routes**

With multiple access routes still under consideration — including options that may direct trucks near the childcare centre — the full impact on traffic and safety remains unclear.

I respectfully ask that these concerns be carefully considered in the assessment of this proposal. Our community values a safe and nurturing environment for children, and it's important that future developments reflect and support those values.

Sincerely,

Melissa Hatzinicolaou

Parent at Nought to Five Early Childhood Centre