

Music Festival Roundtable

9 August 2023



Outcomes

The Music Festival Roundtable (the Roundtable) provides government agencies and industry stakeholders the opportunity to collaborate, share information, address members' priorities, and discuss emerging issues impacting music festivals in NSW.

The Roundtable was formed under the *Music Festivals Act 2019* (the Act). The functions are specified in the Act. These include supporting the growth of the music festival industry in NSW and the safety of patrons. Membership for the Roundtable is outlined in the Act and comprises of equal distribution of government and industry representatives. Joint statements about key meeting topics and outcomes are published below.

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- The fourteenth Roundtable was held on 9 August 2023 in Sydney.
- The Government co-chair was Natalie Wright (Proxy for Anthony Keon), A/Executive Director Policy and Programs, Liquor & Gaming NSW, Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade (DEIT). Mitch Wilson, Managing Director, Australian Festival Association (AFA) was the industry co-chair. Mitch Wilson chaired the meeting.
- Special guest speaker The Hon John Graham MLC addressed the Roundtable. Minister Graham acknowledged the work to date that had been done by members. Minister Graham further spoke about future industry support and assistance.
- The Hon. Ryan Park, MP and The Hon. Yasmin Catley, MP virtually attended and participated in discussion about the Music Festival Industry and function of the Roundtable.
- L&GNSW provided an update on the outcomes of the subject status reassessment.
- A calendar of upcoming festivals, subject and non-subject, was presented to members.
- The subcommittee met on 22 July 2023. The meeting was held on-site at Splendour in the Grass in the North Byron Parklands.
- One (1) case study was presented, Splendour in the Grass, and learnings were shared. L&GNSW, Planning NSW, Police NSW, and Splendour in the Grass event organisers presented.

Next meeting

- The next Roundtable meeting will be held on-site at a festival in November 2023.

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Attendee List

Roundtable Members	Organisation
Natalie Wright	Liquor and Gaming NSW
Daniel Madeddu	Ministry of Health
Luke Hanley	Destination NSW
Brett McFadden	NSW Police
Claire Bunyon	Department of Premier and Cabinet
Wayne McKenna	NSW Ambulance
Emily Collins	Create NSW
Julia Robinson	Australian Recording Industry Association (ARIA)
Penelope Pedersen	Local Government NSW
Lucy Joseph	Music NSW
Jessica Ducrou	Australian Festival Association
Mitchell Wilson	Australian Festival Association
Adelle Robinson	Australian Festival Association
Special Guest	Organisation
The Hon John Graham MLC	Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, Minister for Jobs and Tourism
The Hon. Ryan Park, MP	Minister for Health, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for the Illawarra and the South Coast
The Hon. Yasmin Catley, MP	Minister for Police and Counterterrorism
Meeting Guests and Observers	Organisation
Gabbie Gallagher	Liquor and Gaming NSW
Linda Bunt	Liquor and Gaming NSW

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James Wilson	Health NSW
Michael Rodrigues	NSW 24 Hour Economy
Simon Herring	Royal Fire Service (RFS)
Nick Ballard	Department of Planning and Environment
Rob Sherry	Department of Planning and Environment
Phillip Pandelis	Liquor and Gaming NSW (Secretariat)
Samantha Slykhuis	Liquor and Gaming NSW (Secretariat)