

Mayor Clover Moore wrong, she doubled the license laws in 2007 and was the cause of crowding venues and chaos

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Attention:
Hon. Ian Callinan AC

Dear Sirs,

As a resident of 34 years of [REDACTED] a former President of Kings Cross Rotary and also a Community Director of the club, as well as a retired Corporate Public Relations consultant, like my neighbours we strongly oppose the change to the so called Lock Out restrictions pushed today by Clover Moore with extending trading hours and visitor capacity.

For Mayor Clover Moore with the backing of some of her Council, who passed the "doubling" of the Kings Cross Licensing laws in 2007, which created the massive anti-social problems we lived through - we find it shocking that she now seeks to "change" these for the Liquor Industry to support her business vote !

Too bad about the concerns of the King Cross Police and St Vincent's Emergency who lived the chaos.

Clover Moore has also sought the activist group Get Up! and the social media to assist the Liquor Industry following her failed 2007 doubling of the laws, which will revisit the anti-social problems we suffered again.

1. The laws should not have been called "Lock Out. " They are not lock out. They are "restricted drinking" after 1.30am- with closing 3am.
2. Good bars and business still thrive here with 1.8 million visitors over the last year.

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OUT OF CONTROL VISITORS EVERY WEEKEND HAS

ceased through these current restrictions

4. Injuries and emergency staff at St Vincent's wonderful hospital are relieved, as are the Ambulance teams who were attacked often.
5. The hard, overworked Police Force are able to work more easily. One excellent Police Officer who had won a community award was knocked senseless at 3am, and a year later had to leave the Force due to injuries.
6. The car hoons music blaring in noisy cars at 2am,3am/4am/5am are gone.
7. Responsible pubs, clubs and restaurants are working in a civilised way.
8. Locals and visitors can come without fear of being king hit or assaulted as happened regularly.
9. The elephant in the room too is still the drug trade aligned to some clubs creating a lethal combination of both double shots and drugs
10. 20,000 live [REDACTED] in Potts Point, Elizabeth Bay, Kings Cross, Darlinghurst and East Sydney needing access via Darlinghurst Rd and Bayswater to their flats and homes.
11. Social media and very young voters have swayed the protest against locals, many under 24. It is residential too!
12. In conclusion to suggest that doubling capacity here from 60 to 120 is again a recipe for disaster and mayhem as in 2007.

We are concerned too that Clover' Council is now "reissuing" "trial type 5am closing", as a "continuation" policy of earlier licenses to be confirmed after this enquiry which the Council believes will change the current laws in their favour but not for those living here. We are their ratepayers too! It is the highest density area in Australia, easily forgotten !

Yours sincerely,

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