Sydney Lock out Laws

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Good afternoon Sir/Madam,

My name is Lioubov Klimova and I have been a resident of Potts Point and Darlinghurst for the past 5 years.

I am writing to you to express my views on the punishment of the majority by the instated lock out laws.

I can see in theory how this might have been a good idea, however the reality is very grim.

I have seen long standing establishments close their doors for the first time in over 2 decades, as well as new business opening but closing down within 3 months, this is a great shame as not only are we loosing revenue for our state and local councils, people are loosing their livelihoods.

I understand that young people lost their lives to the foolish acts of others, however closing the Cross has not stopped this, it has simply spread the problem to many parts of Sydney which are not able to be as easily monitored. The Cross as 2 streets that were constantly patrolled, thus helping prevent incidents and making it safe for the vibrate night life culture to flourish in Sydney and make people feel safe to walk the streets and to have a great time with their friends. Let me remind you that majority of the world has a red light district and they make them work.

Now with less police presence and a drop in foot traffic I feel unsafe walking through Kings Cross, the drug addicts seem to be taking over as there is an injecting room (not taxable by the way).

I fail to see how these measures have made it safer?

Yes violence is down but so if the foot traffic, business are closing and taxable revenue is no where to be seen.

I am 27 years of age and old enough to make the decision for myself. If I would like a drink past 10 pm I can make this judgment for myself and If someone wants to cause harm to me and have this intent then no lock out laws will not stop this from happening.