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My background: I'm an ex-sex worker for the past 20 years or so.... having worked on the streets on and off....

My opinion on the current extent and nature of the brothel industry in New South Wales - Having not really worked in and for brothels, I really don't know how they operate, as far as the girls being used and abused and exploited as a sex slave as you do see on the media?!? I don't know if there is any truth to those kind of stories----

Current regulation of brothels in New South Wales and other states I think that it is a good thing that prostitution and sex work is de-criminalised, It's much better that they keep it under control, and the owners and bosses, can look after the girls and the places of trade in a safe and clean environment

Penalties and enforcement powers required to close illegal brothels I think if they are being sanitary and safe and the ~~cond~~ working conditions are good, they should just leave them be - Unless they are putting the girls in some kind of danger and risk - ~~otherwise don't~~ then it would be warranted. maybe worksafe

Options for reform including a scheme of registration or licensing system for authorised brothels

I think that if you Big brother it too much it will spook and scare people that do NOT want to be made aware of and then like everything ~~is~~ people start doing things more secretly and covertly, then you cannot police it even more?

The protection of sex workers, including issues around organised crime and sex trafficking

As far as I know, there is no connection or link to organised crime, The girls should always be protected no matter who, where they are working for....

Options to maintain the high level of public health outcomes

make condoms free and available to all sex workers, and don't penalise girls (& guys) if they are in possession of condoms & sex equipment on them.—

Residential amenity and the location of sex services premises

Of Course they should have that option of working at and from home, as long as they are safe in doing so, and being a bit discreet and quiet it should be allowed—

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