INQUIRY INTO THE REGULATION OF BROTHELS

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My background:

I am a nurse, working with Drugs & Alcohol & have contact with Sex Workers.

My opinion on the current extent and nature of the brothel industry in New South Wales

There are many different types of venues in this industry. It would be good if they are acknowledged in any form to ensure safety / health checks & openness.

Current regulation of brothels in New South Wales and other states

To criminalise the industry is v. v. backward.

Penalties and enforcement powers required to close illegal brothels

Local Councils should be supportive & open hearted so as to normalise & keep it open & safe & Not A Crime

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To register this industry & licence it can eliminate corruption.

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

No more or less organised crime in this industry comparable to any other industry.

Options to maintain the high level of public health outcomes

Keep laws as they are now. 

To regulate this industry - backward, pushes it underground, are not wanting to come for health checks & is discriminated against.

Residential amenity and the location of sex services premises

As it is, the Sex Worker Laws are good, to work from home and not away is probably more safe.

To be registered can create corruption & sex workers are not safe as are not wanting to call police if in need.

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