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## **MEASURES TO REDUCE ALCOHOL AND DRUG- RELATED VIOLENCE**

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**To whom it may concern**

Measures to Reduce Alcohol and Drug-Related Violence (Inquiry)

East Sydney is the area bound by College, William, Oxford and Forbes streets and is home to 3 500 people+. The East Sydney Neighbourhood Association (ESNA) is the body representing residents.

Residents who live in this area are extremely vulnerable to the results of excessive alcohol and drug related disturbances, in particular those who live in close proximity to the perimeter of Oxford Street.

ESNA conducted an email survey and the issue was also discussed at a residents' meeting on Wednesday 13 August.

**There is 100% support for the measures to continue.**

Reports varied from no difference, through to some difference and significant, immediate and life-changing results. One resident who has experienced several hospital stays reported that St Vincent's Hospital was a lot quieter since the measures and the nurses confirmed the decrease in alcohol and drug-related violence.

ESNA therefore supports the maintenance of these measures and also requests that any measures applied to Kings Cross or the CDB also be applied to Oxford Street to avoid a risk of displacement of anti-social behaviour and violence.

Yours sincerely

Secretary

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