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## **INQUIRY INTO THE REGULATION OF BROTHELS**

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I have been a client of sex workers since 1977. I fully support the view of The Scarlet Alliance that decriminalisation is by far the best model for regulation of the sex industry.

Shire and City councils already have wide powers to regulate brothels in any particular local area.

Licensing of brothels simply increases costs of compliance for sex workers and may encourage corruption of public officials and/or police.

The so called "Swedish Model" or "Nordic Model" of criminalising the clients of sex workers is a dismal failure in that it drives sex work and sex workers underground into very physically unsafe working conditions and makes the reporting of rape or physical assault of sex workers even less likely than it is to be reported now!!!!