

**Submission  
No 53**

**ADEQUACY OF THE REGULATION OF SHORT-TERM  
HOLIDAY LETTING IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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To: NSW Parliament's Environment and Planning Committee

Re: Short Term Holiday Letting

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I am the owner of a unit in [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] which sits on Balmoral Beach.

Numerous detailed submissions have been forwarded to you outlining all the specific details and history of correspondence between our Owners Corporation and Mosman Council, so I won't repeat that again.

What I would like to bring to the attention of the Committee is the negative affect that "short term holiday" letting has on the building, its residents and their amenity.

As I resident for seven years I have witnessed numerous times household rubbish, discarded boxes and bottles just left outside the rented apartments.

We have limited off street parking, which to work effectively requires no parking in the driveways so that residents can access their garages. Sort term holiday letters repeatedly and blatantly park in these no stopping areas, even after notes have been left on their windows. This means that residents have to honk their horns hoping they will be heard. This doesn't happen, so we have to find parking in the street, which can be difficult. When they depart, cleaners arrive

and again blatantly park in the no standing zones, again denying access to garages.

With many of the holiday letters, they are in “party/holiday” mode. They have no concern or care that their late night music and parties may be disruptive to others in the building. We are not grumpy old people, but there is a certain level of respect that one should have for their neighbours. Residents and long term renters have this mutual respect, our experience has shown that short term holiday letters don't.

Last summer I was woken up at 2.35 am by loud voices. On looking out of the window, I saw a couple, totally nude, making love on the lawn in the communal garden. All the lights in the short term rental apartment were on, therefore allowing everybody they woke up to see them.

It is this type of behaviour we are trying stop.

John Cavill