



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL ISSUES

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

# **COMMITTEE CONDUCTS SITE INSPECTION OF GAY HATE MURDERS AT BONDI**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**27 NOVEMBER 2020**

The NSW Parliament Standing Committee on Social Issues is conducting an inquiry into Gay and Transgender hate crimes between 1970 and 2010, including specifically several murders that occurred at the Marks Park cliff location in Bondi in the 1980s and 1990s.

As part of the inquiry, the committee will inspect the scenes of these murders guided by former police knowledgeable of the crimes, to gain a greater understanding of the circumstances surrounding these brutal murders at Sydney's doorstep.

**MEDIA ALERT:**  
**MEET AT MARKS PARK**  
**DATE** – Monday, 30 November 2020  
**TIME** – 11.00 am  
**ADDRESS** – Marks Lane, Bondi

Chair of the Committee, the Hon. Shayne Mallard MLC, said “There are over 80 identified historic gay hate murders in New South Wales, of which almost 30 are still unsolved.”

“There are many more victims of bashings and attempted killings, some of whom have given evidence to the inquiry. The fact is that some of the perpetrators of these gay hate crimes still walk free amongst our society today.”

Mr Mallard continued, "Justice for the victims and their families requires the inquiry to leave no stone unturned surrounding the circumstances of these violent crimes.”

The committee will also inspect the proposed memorial being coordinated by Waverley Council.

For further information about the inquiry, including the terms of reference, please visit the [website](#).

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