

**Submission
No 414**

**INQUIRY INTO THE MUSIC AND ARTS ECONOMY IN
NEW SOUTH WALES**

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Attn Hon Paul Green,

Committee Chair

Dear Mr Green,

I have read with much interest many of the 400 odd submissions to your committee.

One of the most obvious problems is how to combat the arguments relating to " Noise " of Amplified Sound created at night by Live Bands and DJ,s etc operating inside and OUTSIDE venues around Sydney. We believe these arguments should not be ongoing as Technology is now available to solve between 95% and 98% of these problems. The fact is that because the Technology is a commercial product Local Government at all levels fail to support it even though many senior individuals within Government are aware of it,s proven success around the World and here in Australia and NZ. If it was a Life Saving device they would be jumping all over it !!

Totally different scenario in America where Governments are desperate to solve this major issue without letting Politics get in the road of simple proven solutions. When you click on the first link below you will see a live recording of OUTDOOR tests done in front of the City Of Austin (Live Band Capital of The World) Council Offices . The City sponsored these tests as they had run out of ideas and realised that Acoustic Engineers could not solve their problems without turning down the volume of the sound OR modify the building to such an extent that the economics were never a reality. In Australia we are also staggered that many Acoustic Engineers fail to suggest this technology as a possible solution when every venue who has installed it to solve a " Noise Issue " has had outstanding success. In this part of the World 200 systems have been installed.

One of your submissions references the " Night Time Mayor " of Amsterdam. It is my understanding that this Mayor has visited the USA and has been updated on the OUTSTANDING success of the trials carried out in Austin Texas. It is no coincidence that a very large installation of this technology is about to take place in his part of the World.

- <http://kxan.com/2016/10/11/please-dont-stop-the-music-austin-tests-new-sound-mitigation-system/> (City of Austin)
- <http://keyetv.com/news/local/austin-tests-sound-ceiling-to-reduce-noise-complaints> (City of Austin)
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CPb718sTRsg> (City of Vancouver)

Mr Green, the tests you have viewed in the links above are extraordinary in the sense that the drop off in sound levels of up to 75% (in human listening terms) only a few metres from the source of Amplified Music has been achieved OUTDOORS not inside a building ??

The success of the tests created a World First where a 5 Star Hotel Chain purchased the Technology and installed it in a near by OUTDOOR live band venue (owned by others) so that at 3am their guests could sleep through the night.

This type of test can be done in front of the Sydney Town Hall to show every interested party

that this issue of Noise Complaints can be easily solved in most incidences. Is the Committee and Government fair dinkum about finding a solution ?

I hope you find this success story of interest and that it generates more discussion and learning ?

Thank You for your time.

Best Wishes

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