

Heat on businesses

IT would appear that clubs, hotels, and bars are angling to reverse the State Governments' recent alcohol legislation on the grounds that they are losing business.

A very one-sided survey has been sent to businesses in the area by The Potts Point Partnership which was designed to elicit only negative responses about the lock-outs in Kings Cross and their impact on business.

The growth in liquor outlets that occurred in King Cross over the past seven years and the tacit approval that "anything goes" in Kings Cross was a recipe for disaster and unsustainable.

Prior to the legislation being introduced, two young men lost their lives and countless people were physically injured and mentally harmed as a consequence.

Residents also witnessed anti-social acts, noise, and the debris left behind.

Councillors at the City of Sydney are still pushing for a "vibrant night-life" which translates to support for the alcohol industry. The economy is slow and the proliferation of clubs, bars, and restaurants means that not all will survive.

It's time for businesses selling alcohol to rethink their business models if they want to survive.

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