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Submission:
Liquor and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2017

Tackling Alcohol-Fueled Violence Legislation Amendment Act 2016 (TAFV Act)

Bartletts Tavern wish to put forward the following two submissions in relation to the Liquor and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2017, relating to the *Tackling Alcohol-Fueled Violence Legislation Amendment Act 2016 (TAFV Act)*.

1. An immediate review is conducted as to the Boundaries of the Rockhampton Safe Night Precinct, with a view to reducing the boundaries to focus solely on the Rockhampton CBD and nightclub precinct.
2. Amendments be made to the legislation to clearly identify the different sections of licensed premises that are a lower risk, for example Gaming Rooms and Restaurant/Bistro's, and have them exempt from the requirement for ID scanners.

1.1 Rockhampton Safe Night Precinct Boundaries:

- 1.2 On the 14th November 2016, Bartletts Tavern received an email from the President of the Rockhampton Safe Night Precinct, stating that the boundaries had been changed on the 11th November 2016 and Bartlett's Tavern remained inside the Safe Night Precinct by one street. Bartlett's Tavern clearly does not belong in the Safe Night Precinct.
- 1.3 These boundary changes do not appear to be made in line with the initial objectives of the Safe Night Precinct legislation, which is to "*Tackle alcohol violence, particularly late at night, through evidence based, multi-faceted approach*". The changes also came with no consultation with the local SNP board which is one of the purposes of having the SNP Boards in place.
- 1.4 Our concept of a Safe Night Precinct in Rockhampton is to have a centralized entertainment precinct, being the William / Quay / East Street nightclub area, which would allow for a maximized utilization of Government and Emergency services, funding and resources, to enhance the effectiveness of the centralized support services that have been funded for via Government Grants and Emergency Services budgets.
- 1.5 This would allow a multi-jurisdictional focus to obtain maximum benefit at a minimal expense to the Queensland Government, and focus already stretched resources in and around the entertainment and nightclub precinct.

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A review is conducted involving the key stakeholders, Rockhampton Police, Rockhampton Regional Council and the Rockhampton Safe Night Precinct President in a view to downsizing the boundaries of the Rockhampton Safe Night precinct.

2.1 ID Scanners

2.2 The implementation of ID Scanners needs to have the definition expanded to provide exclusion for sections of licenced premises whose primary function is not the supply of alcohol, and the provision of entertainment such as bands, DJs, amplified music and adult#entertainment.

2.3 The primary examples that would be provided exclusion should allow for, Gaming Rooms, Function rooms that are privately hired for a function independent of the Hotel operation, Bistro and Restaurant areas of Licenced premises. Other non-designated areas to those listed, can be provided an exclusion at the direction of the Commissioner.

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Amendment to the definition of excluded sections/parts of licenced premises for the purpose of ID Scanning requirements be added to the legislation to exclude Gaming Rooms, Private Functions, Bistro and Restaurants. Additional approval to be sought by application to the Commissioner.

Proposed New SNP Boundaries

The Red square indicates the proposed boundary changes.