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Best practice harm minimisation measures:

2. A measure that could be considered is introducing a compulsory RSA marshal for every premise that trades after midnight. The role of this person would be like a host or maitre d. They do this in NSW for high risk premises. It is apparently working well. The person goes around the venue checking the patrons. For exemple, if a group of male patrons came in all together and sat at a table and started ordering drinks the RSA marshal would go to the table introduce themselves and have a social chat. Remind them not to get out of hand, space their drinks, let them know they can talk to the RSA marshal if they have any concerns. They also might offer them a discount meal voucher (to get them to eat lood with their drinks) and then they would generally keep an eye on that group of patrons through the night - under the guise of make sure they have a good night. The patrons should feel like they are getting VIP treatment and the venue gets to make sure they don't become unruly and can have a chat if something is getting out of hand. 4. Liquor Accords in Qid are doing some amazing things in the regions, particularly when they implement a group wide banning policy. This could perceivably work well in particular metro precincts if they used an id scanner as a condition of entry and the id scanners were networked to other clubs in that area.