

EQUALITY AND FRIVOLITY WITHOUT FEAR

THE GREENS' PLAN FOR AN INCLUSIVE AND FUN FUTURE FOR ALL OF US

1. END EXEMPTIONS IN THE ANTI-DISCRIMINATION ACT AND STRENGTHEN PROTECTIONS

The Greens are committed to removing exemptions that allow for private educational institutions, religious organisations and small business to legally discriminate.

NSW has some of the weakest antidiscrimination laws in the country, so it is crucial that the act is updated to provide strong protections to provide adequate protection to everyone, including preventing discrimination on the basis of sex characteristics.

2. AMEND THE BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT TO ALLOW SELF-IDENTIFICATION

The Greens want self-identification to be the key factor for those who wish to amend their identity documentation. It is unacceptable that changing identity documentation is reliant on surgical intervention or medical assessment. We believe a change of sex in identity documentation should be able to be done by a statutory declaration.

3. MAKE OUR SCHOOLS SAFE AND INCLUSIVE

The Greens want all young people to feel safe and included while they are at school and that means ensuring that there are specialised education and support programs available to LGBTIQ+ young people in our schools.

4. INTRODUCE A BILL TO END THE LOCKOUTS IN SYDNEY

The Greens were the only party in the NSW Parliament that opposed the lockout laws when they were first introduced. We are still opposed to them – so much so that, if reelected, Member for Newtown Jenny Leong MP will introduce a Bill in the first sitting of the new parliament to repeal the lockouts. This is an issue for our whole city – but it also has a direct impact on Mardi Gras festivities and the Greens support an immediate change of the regulations to enable people to party all night during the Mardi Gras Festival.

5. END SNIFFER DOG DRUG PROGRAM AND SUPPORT PILL TESTING

The Greens oppose the intimidating and inaccurate police dog drug program. We believe in a harm minimisation approach to drug use – which means we support pill testing and reject punitive measures like overpolicing and sniffer dogs.

6. SUPPORT THE PROTECTION OF ICONIC VENUES AND SITES IN OUR CITY

The Greens know that there are special venues, locations and sites in Sydney that may not meet the standards of heritage protection but certainly are key to what makes the heart of our city beat strong. With so much being shut down, sold off or developed for private profits, we are committed to working with creatives, artists, activists and residents to determine a way to establish a register of iconic sites and ensure they are protected in to the future.

