Submission – Short Term Holiday Lettings

Council at its recent meeting resolved to submit the following information to you in response to the NSW Government’s Short Term Holiday Letting Options Paper.

Most short term holiday rentals do not attract complaints. However, there are some properties that due to poor management do generate complaints. The complaints often relate to noise, the use of the premises as a party house, traffic and parking problems and waste concerns. Of the options presented in the Options Paper, the registration of premises to manage safety and amenity issues may be preferable subject to the administration of the registration being streamlined.

Council also respectfully requests the following:

1. ‘Party house’ regulations enabling easier enforcement action by Councils for those short term holiday lettings which cause unreasonable amenity impacts;

2. Support for councils wishing to provide educational material relating to waste management and other local requirements;

3. Ongoing review of any adopted policy to reassess the impact of short term holiday lettings on local housing affordability.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further information.

Yours faithfully

Michael Forsyth
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