Item 11

Questions on Notice

1. Short Term Rental Enforcement and Compliance

By Councillor Thompson

Question

We understand there is an investigative specialist at the City of Sydney dealing with short term rentals.

1. Is the City taking enforcement action against illegal short-term rentals, or those breaking the rules?

    (a) If so, what does this look like? Please describe the actions taken in the past few years and what kind of resourcing enforcement has.

    (b) If so, how many fines have been issued? How often are these issued? How much money do these fines request?

    (c) If not, why not? What are the barriers to enforcement action?

2. How does the City's work with the NSW Department of Fair Trading on enforcement against short term rentals? Please describe how the teams work together, what tasks are shared and what communication occurs.

3. From the City's perspective, how effective is the state's Short Term Rental Accommodation (STRA) Register?

4. Does the City cooperate well with the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure? Please describe how data is shared, stored and how communication occurs.

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