



# Oxford Street

## LGBTIQA+ Social and Cultural Place Strategy



# About this information sheet

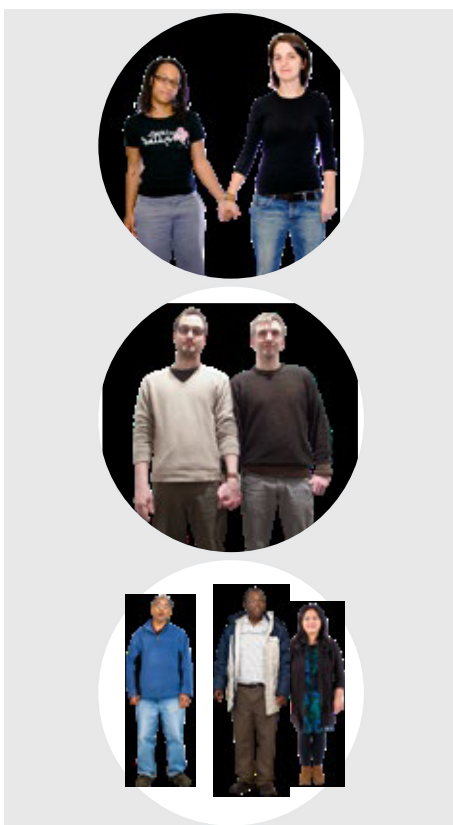


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This information sheet is about the **LGBTIQ+ Social and Cultural Place Strategy** for Oxford Street.



The letters in LGBTIQ+ stand for

- **Lesbian**

**Lesbian** means women who like other women

- **Gay**

**Gay** means men who like other men

- **Bisexual**

**Bisexual** means people who like both men and women.



- **Transgender**

**Transgender** means people who feel different from the gender they were born in



- **Intersex**

**Intersex** means people who have bodies that are not what we expect for males or females



- **Queer**

**Queer** means people who are not straight or who feel different from the gender they were born in



- **Asexual**

**Asexual** means people who do not feel they want to do sexy things with anyone



- **+**

**+** means any other way people might feel about their gender or sexuality.



A **Social and Cultural Place Strategy** says how we will make sure LGBTQIA+ people and places are a big part of Oxford Street.

We will say **strategy** for short.



A strategy is a plan for how we will do things.



We spoke to lots of LGBTQIA+ people to make this strategy.



We know Oxford Street is very important to LGBTQIA+ people.

We want to keep it this way.

# Things that are important to us



This strategy is about the things that are important to people.



It is important to us that we respect that Oxford Street is on Aboriginal land.



It is important there are places for Aboriginal people on Oxford Street.



It is important to us to listen to the people in Oxford Street.





We want to support them to do what they want.



It is important to us to work with the **community** to do the things in the strategy.



**Community** means the people who

- Live on Oxford Street
- Live around Oxford Street
- Go to Oxford Street a lot.



It is important to us to use words that respect everyone who is LGBTIQ+.

# Big things we want to do



There are 5 big things we want to do in the strategy.



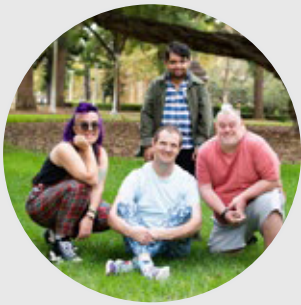
We will now look at how we will do each of these big things.

These are



1. Remember the LGBTIQ+ **history** of Oxford Street.

**History** means things that happened in the past.



2. Keep Oxford Street an area for LGBTIQ+ people and places.



3. Make more LGBTIQ+ places in Oxford Street.



4. Have more LGBTIQ+ things in Oxford Street for people to see.



5. Make sure the people of Oxford Street are safe and supported.



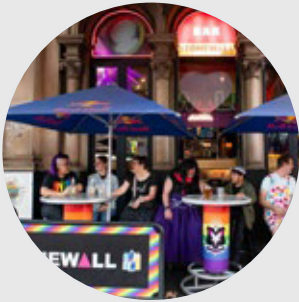
# 1. Remember the LGBTIQ+ history of Oxford Street



We want to remember the LGBTIQ+ history of Oxford Street.

We will do this by

- Find out the most important LGBTIQ+ places to people on Oxford Street



- Ask for those places to be **heritage**

**Heritage** means the place must not be changed because it has important history



- Make sure people know that heritage places on Oxford Street have LGBTIQ+ history.





We will have photos of the LGBTIQ+ history of Oxford Street that anyone can see and use.



We will find ways to show respect to Aboriginal people on Oxford Street.



We will listen to LGBTIQ+ stories and keep them online for other people to listen to.



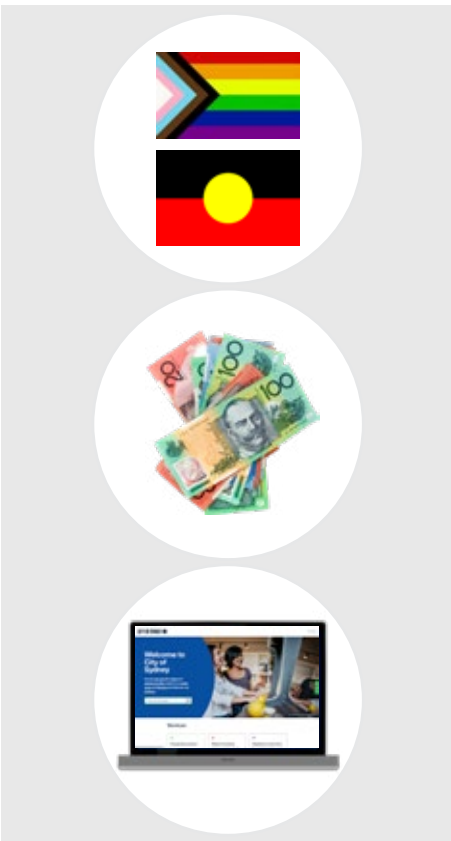
We will show we know **sex on premises places** are important to LGBTIQ+ people on Oxford Street.

**Sex on premises places** are places people can go and pay to have sex.

## 2. Keep Oxford Street an area for LGBTIQ+ people and places



We want to keep Oxford Street an area for LGBTIQ+ people and places.



We will do this by

- Make sure all businesses that open late have rules to include LGBTIQ+ and Aboriginal people
- Give money to businesses to make LGBTIQ+ events for Oxford Street
- Have a special page on our website that tells people about Oxford Street.



We will make a set of rules for business on Oxford Street to follow.

If businesses agree to the rules we might ask them to do things like

- Give more jobs to LGBTIQ+ people

- Teach staff how to work with LGBTIQ+ people

- Have bathrooms that all LGBTIQ+ people can use.



We will talk to businesses and people in Oxford Street about what they want in the rules.

### 3. Make more LGBTQIA+ places on Oxford Street



We want to make more LGBTQIA+ places on Oxford Street.

To do this we will



- Give money to help make an LGBTQIA+ museum on Oxford Street



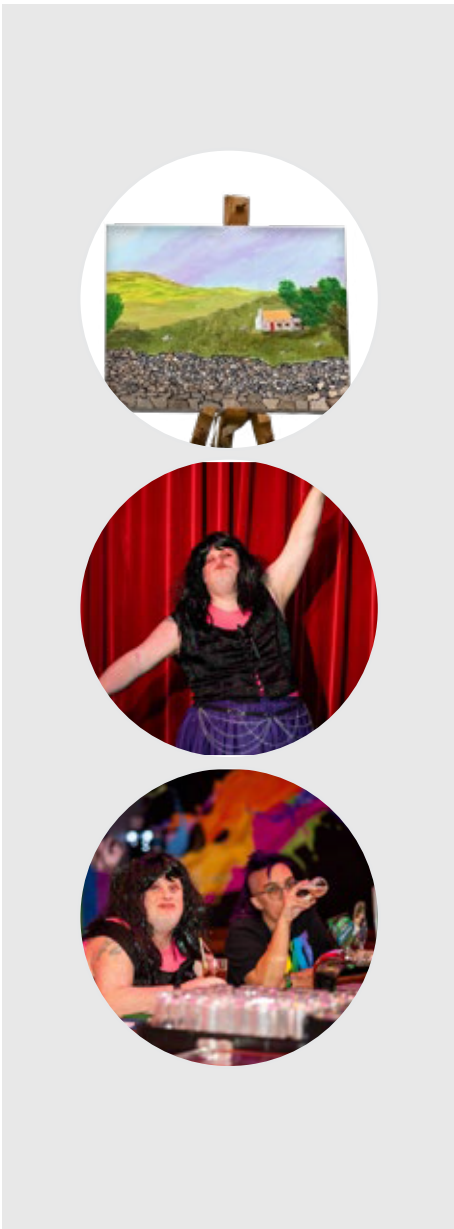
- Give money to help make a place for LGBTQIA+ Aboriginal people



- Make a service that helps LGBTQIA+ businesses find space to open on Oxford Street.



We will also give money to help LGBTIQA+ **creative businesses** open on Oxford Street.



**Creative businesses** means places like

- Art galleries
- Theatres
- Night clubs.



## 4. Have more LGBTIQ+ things in Oxford Street for people to see



We want to have more LGBTIQ+ things in Oxford Street for people to see.

We will do things like

- Fly the **Progress Pride Flag** on Oxford Street

The **Progress Pride Flag** is a flag for all LGBTIQ+ people

- Have LGBTIQ+ artists make art to be on Oxford Street

- Find out if we can have more rainbow crossings on Oxford Street.

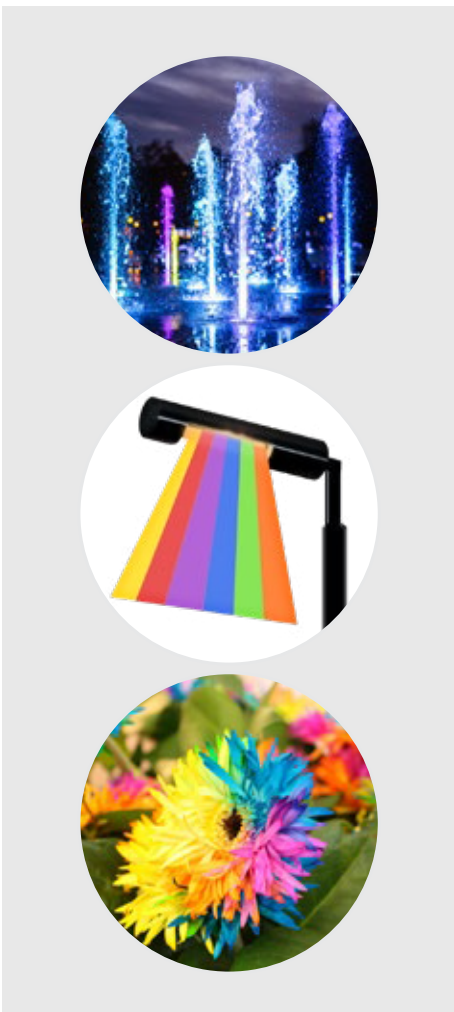




We will find out if we can have a sign in Oxford Street about the **Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras**.



The **Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras** is a big party LGBTIQ+ people have on Oxford Street every year.



We will also find out if we can have

- The Progress Pride Flag colours in the fountain on Oxford Street
- Special lights on poles on Oxford Street
- LGBTIQ+ colours in the flowers and gardens on Oxford Street.

## 5. Make sure the people of Oxford Street are safe and supported



We want to make sure the people of Oxford Street are safe and supported.

We will do things like



- Have services that help transgender and older LGBTIQ+ people



- Ask for more public transport options that are cheaper to get to Oxford Street



- Ask for cheaper places to live for LGBTIQ+ people near Oxford Street.

We will also work with services to help people in Oxford Street who



- Are homeless



- Have problems with **mental health**

**Mental health** means the way you think and feel



- Use drugs.



We will work with NSW Police to make a plan to keep LGBTIQ+ people safe on Oxford Street.



We will work to help LGBTIQ+ people trust and use the NSW Police for help.



We will work to make it easier for LGBTIQ+ people in Oxford Street to get health services.

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