

Report to CoAL 2023 AGM
on the Campaign against the proposed
NSW Equality & Conversion Practices Prohibition Bill

Late last year, Alex Greenwich set out his LGBTQ agenda for the elections due in March 2023, and in February this year, despite his secrecy games, it became clear from [The Star Observer](#) and [ACON](#) that he was preparing an omnibus ‘equality’ bill comprising 2 separate bills: a ‘gender affirming’ bill and an ‘equality’ bill that he stated would ‘protect the dignity of trans and gender diverse people in body searches, decriminalise the sex industry, make government agency forms more inclusive and protect the rights of children born out of surrogacy.’

He also tried political blackmail of the Liberal government by announcing that [a ban on gay conversion](#) practices would be a condition of his support of the Liberals in the event of a hung parliament after the March state election; the Treasurer, Matt Kean, was ‘wholeheartedly’ for it but Perrottet, the Premier, wouldn’t concede.

The ALP won and now we have a Minns government that does not want to pass Greenwich’s bill, in fact I haven’t found anyone besides Alex that would. But there are very real concerns that ‘gender affirmation’ will get up in alternative ‘progressive’ legislation Labor is preparing.

Our National Committee member, Bronwyn Winter, has been a prime mover in gathering together a collaborative **non-conservative** group of feminists, lesbians and gay men to campaign strongly against any ‘gender’ legislation; the only part we want to support is a ban on sex-based conversion practices. Bronwyn has helped set up the left-leaning feminist group [AF4WR](#) (Australian Feminists for Women’s Rights) which is part of the Collaboration; the others are [WRNA](#) (Women’s Rights Network Australia), [LGB Alliance Australia](#), and [CoAL](#). We have been meeting regularly online since mid-2023 working out and following a long-range co-operative strategy to stop NSW falling to gender ideology, unlike elsewhere in

Australia where Queensland, ACT, Victoria, Tasmania have succumbed to the disordered mental affliction that supports it.

On Tuesday this week WRNA organised a Speak Out in Martin Place where about 10 of us were recorded (watch the WRNA website for the video). The legislation is due to be debated (perhaps today) but we understand Labor won't introduce their proposed legislation 'til later, perhaps next year. We have been writing and meeting with various NSW politicians to put our case, but, so far, no ALP politicians have publicly supported us. Neither has the media, pointedly ignoring our media releases.

We do not intend to give up on bringing more people along with us. To this end, WRNA has been marvellous at generating on-the-ground politics of leafletting and letterboxing. I joined with Ann from WRNA (who has powerful oratorical skills) to spend a couple of enjoyable hours at the Marrickville Community Centre markets last Sunday finding many like-minded shoppers to talk with and take our leaflets. Our NSW members Wendy Watkin and newcomer Natalie Tucker have provided valuable input (Natalie has an amazing range of gender critical T-shirts and she even had a special lobbying pair of earrings made, which I'm wearing—they can be ordered for \$30 from CoAL if you want some too).

I do urge every CoAL member, wherever you live, to write to NSW politicians and the media protesting gender ideology in NSW legislation. For help, go to the [CoAL website](#). Let's succeed in making NSW the first Australian state to resist gender ideology!



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