

10.0 NOTICES OF MOTION ITEM 10.1	NOTICE OF MOTION NO 2/2014 - CALL FOR FEDERAL PARLIAMENTARY ENQUIRY INTO THE USE OF BITCOINS TO PURCHASE ILLEGAL DRUGS ONLINE
TRIM FILE REF	2014/045368
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

MOTION

1. That this Council notes:

a. With sadness the tragic death of 21 year old Collaroy resident, Daniel Skelly on 9 November 2014 following consumption of an adulterated drug from an online illegal drug website purchased over the internet by bitcoins.

b. Mr Skelly was instructed by the drug traffickers to purchase bitcoins from a Brisbane-based company called Cryptospend and to make cash deposits at NAB, Westpac or St George banks.

c. Acting Treasurer at the time and Minister for Small Business Bruce Billson stated: "Given the tragic nature of the case, it would be unfair and inappropriate to make comment without having a good look at the issues to enable a considered response following the family's loss."

d. 2536 Northern Beaches residents have signed an on-line petition at Change.org calling on the Federal Parliament to hold a public Enquiry into the use of the internet and bitcoins for the purchase of illegal drugs.

2. That this Council:

a. Extends its sincere sympathy to the Skelly family, his loved ones and friends on their tragic loss of Daniel.

b. Writes to the Prime Minister, The Hon Tony Abbott MP, calling for a Federal Parliamentary Enquiry into the use of bitcoins for the purchase of illegal drugs over the internet and possible legislative initiatives here in Australia or action at the international level for a coordinated approach to make on-line drug traffickers and the use of bitcoins for the purchase of illicit drugs illegal.