

Tonight: Northern Beaches candidates to discuss fair compensation

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Candidates for Manly and Pittwater will be asked at tonight's public forum where they stand on the issue of fair compensation for people who are injured in the workplace or on the roads.

A campaign mounted by the country's four peak legal bodies, '**A Fair Go for Injured People**' yesterday entered its second phase with over 100 volunteers and injured people distributing information in the Sydney CBD about the impact of the compensation laws.

Campaign spokesman and president of the NSW Bar Association, Mr Michael Slattery QC, said now over 90% of people injured by someone else in motor vehicle accidents or at work do not get fair compensation.

"Compensation schemes are running in surplus and insurance companies are making record profits", said Mr Slattery.

"With the New South Wales election fast approaching, we are intensifying our efforts to focus the attention of the major political parties on the plight of injured people who have been severely disadvantaged by current schemes.

"A statewide print and broadcasting advertising campaign will also run until election day, 24 March, calling on both major political parties to support a fairer and more consistent system for injured people of NSW.

"Our approach can be implemented over time, to ensure there are no increases in workers compensation and green slip premiums and we encourage all candidates for Manly and Pittwater to adopt our position which is fair and reasonable," said Mr Slattery QC.

Notes to editors:

- **Manly and Pittwater candidates forum will be held tonight at 7pm at the Tramshed in Narrabeen.**

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