Common Learnings
The group were invited to distil the common learnings from the morning presentations.

1. All of the case studies were Council Led
2. Most of the activations were events based
3. Business/Community need to come on the journey
   - Collaboration
   - Co-creative
   - Facilitator
   - Relationships
4. Engaging community/business needs to be transparent
5. Everyone was frustrated by process issues
   - Regulations
   - Multiple external agencies to co-ordinate
6. Min Urban density is needed to attract a big enough audience
7. The importance of tailoring activations specific to the place
   - Creating a destination
8. The importance of cultural diversity

9. Importance of arts and culture

10. The importance of diversity of offer
    Food
    Of events
    Activities

11. Places to work need to be
    Accessible
    Well lit
    Safe
    have good Way Finding
    Fit for purpose

12. The power of creative lighting

13. Resourcing was difficult
    How to fund
    How to resource
    Use of volunteers
    Accessing multiple funding sources

14. Need to take a holistic approach to safety
    Not just more police or security presence

Key Issues
In order to create a “safe, vibrant and sustainable NTE”, the key issues that need to be solved included:

1. **Streamlining approvals**
   - Not flexible
   - Regs limited
   - Planning

2. **Activating under utilised areas**
   - Sustainable economic development
3. Creating partnerships
   Who to go to
   How to engage

4. Defining the NTE
   Community expectations
   Council's role

5. Managing alcohol and related risks

6. Engaging business owners
   After 5:00pm
   Need to lead
   Empowering
   Training/Skill

7. Creating villages
   Work/Live/Play

8. Engaging external decision makers
   Lack of shared vision
   Council's priorities

9. Understanding the value the NTE can bring
   To the community
   To businesses

10. Resourcing events and activations
    People
    Dollars

11. Integrating transport to service the NTE

Required Help

Where help was required the most included:
1. **NSW shared vision for NTE**
   - Common vision
   - For all councils
   - Translating to local area

2. **Targeted NTE grants program**
3. Strategic directions and policy framework

4. Accessible best practice cheat sheet

5. Changing the conversation with the community and business
   Creating collaboration
   Business to buy in
   Businesses taking control of their space

6. Consistent regulations/policies across NSW Councils
   Unified governance
   Harmonisation of regulations, policies, agencies priorities...

7. Building cultural tourism

8. Measuring and reporting the economic and social impacts
   Case studies

9. Activating regional and rural areas

Best Ways to Enable
The best ways for the NTE Working Group to enable and improve included:

1. Single Portal
2. Face-to-face meetings
3. Themed Masterclasses
4. Webinars
5. List of contacts and resources
6. Challenge 'If not, why not?'
7. Form an influential Peak Body