

Interview on Underage Drinking by South China Morning Post on 5 January, 2019

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The Convenor gave an interview to the South China Morning Post on underage drinking. The article was published on 5 January 2019 entitled " Blurred lines on drink".

In response to the enactment of legislation prohibiting the sale and supply of alcohol to minors in retail outlets, the Convenor pointed out that while that was an important step in the right direction, more needed to be done on education, enumerating the harms of alcohol especially to young people. She called on parents and government to lead by example. Parents who drank or offering drinks to their children sent the wrong message that drinking was acceptable. Promoting alcohol by government such as the Wine and Dine Festival should be avoided. The removal of wine tax in 2008 to promote the City as a global wine-trading hub, she said, was a retrograde step and one of the most devastating anti public health measures in alcohol control.