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CONSUMERS WARNED AGAINST DEALING WITH CAR DEALER CLAYTON BESPOKE

Consumers are being warned not to deal with Clayton Bespoke Pty Ltd or its sole director, Bevin Ronald Clayton, Minister for Better Regulation Matt Kean announced today.

Mr Kean said the Woolloomooloo business sells luxury vehicles on behalf of their owners, and currently has about \$5 million worth of stock, including Rolls Royce Phantoms, Teslas, Porsche Boxsters and a McLaren 540C.

“Consumer loss across New South Wales is estimated to be in excess of \$1 million, and I won’t put up with that. I’m going to put consumers first,” Mr Kean said.

“NSW Fair Trading has received 11 complaints since May 2017, and 16 enquiries about this trader.

“Many owners did not receive payment from the business after their vehicle was sold, or if they did, the cheque bounced.

“When consumers enter into a consignment agreement, they do so in good faith and expect due payment.

“Instead, these customers have been left significantly out of pocket, and to add insult to injury, in some cases their expensive vehicle is gone too.

“This is simply not good enough, which is why I am putting consumers first and issuing this public warning.”

Mr Kean said NSW Fair Trading investigators and NSW Police officers executed a search warrant earlier today at the trader’s place of business, seizing documents.

“Fair Trading has suspended Bespoke Pty Ltd’s motor dealer licence, and issued a Notice to Show Cause within 21 days as to why disciplinary action should not be taken,” he said.

“If consumers have consigned a vehicle with Clayton Bespoke Pty Ltd and the vehicle has not yet been sold, they should contact Kings Cross Police to arrange immediate collection.”

Anyone with complaints about this trader, or who has information that may assist the investigation, should contact NSW Fair Trading on 13 32 20.

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