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COMMUNITY SAFETY IN REGIONAL AND RURAL COMMUNITIES

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To whom it may concern, I feel that more

Attention needs to be paid to small crimes, as getting away with these leads offenders to think they can get away with more serious ones as well. Also, I'm quite frustrated at no longer being able to call our local police directly for things like music too loud, obnoxious drunks yelling at 2am, adults riding kids dirt bikes at speed at night without lights on road and footpath, etc. Crime stoppers don't care and I'm not ringing triple zero for that.

I think more needs to be done to teach young males in particular to be men without violence aggression and criminal behaviour.

And a great deal more needs to be done around adult male violence in general, and towards women in particular.

Personally I often feel so frustrated and powerless to get anything done about the small stuff, I have little faith in the justice system to do anything about this bigger picture. We can't just rely on police. We need better education of parents to bring children up with better attitudes towards their communities. Maybe a renewed scouts and Guides program, with Indigenous input into survival skills in the bush, or older fashioned apprenticeships for those who don't like school?

Whatever it is we do, it needs more funding and perhaps some celebrity star power.

I wish you well in deliberating on this and appreciate your considering my somewhat small and prosaic viewpoint.

Regards,

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