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## **COMMUNITY SAFETY IN REGIONAL AND RURAL COMMUNITIES**

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Re Regional Crime.

Police resourcing in regional areas is inadequate. Many police stations in rural areas have been closed over time. There is not enough police physically in many rural communities.

Police are not supported by the courts. eg bail is granted when police oppose it.

Courts i.e. magistrates and judges abdicate their responsibilities to the community, by minimising penalties for offenders behaviour. There appears to be little to no consequence for criminal behaviour and activity. Laws set by parliament should not be diluted, and open to interpretation.