

As a resident in the area for 20 years I have observed a lack of supervision of young children. I have seen children as young as 10 years old smashing car windows for a possible few dollars.

The Block has been a failed experiment. It has ruined the lives of many young people who have never learnt the difference between right and wrong.

The only solution is to provide education and a better future for the young people who still have some chance of making something of their lives. I believe that a more assimilated approach may provide for better outcomes in the long term.

Alcohol, drugs, crime and a 'no go' zone is the current situation. For the benefit of the young something needs to change. It is not more policing although policing is needed to make the lives of others more tolerable.

The solution is to make tough decisions for the benefit of the majority and the youth. Keep up the work on providing youth with opportunity and improved relations with police and the local community. Make the area more open and a part of the overall community.