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Dear Sir,

I am writing in response to the article in the Sunday Mail on 14 December 2008 which called for comments in relation to the exercise of the move on powers.

I am the owner of the xxxxx Shopping Centre at xxxxx and approximately xx residential units in the same precinct and I also support the move on powers as we have had problematic experiences with disorderly persons. Many of these disorderly people are homeless, reside in xxxxx and have criminal records. We have also requested that they are moved on from xxxxx and surrounds.

It is our experience that the Police do not use the move on powers with the rigour that they should be using them and they do not follow through with other action to stop the offenders reoffending. Despite the move on powers it is a constant battle to ensure that patrons' reasonable rights are not compromised by those persons that should be moved and in some cases charged.

More needs to be done. There are not enough Police and they do not have adequate powers to protect the reasonable rights of law abiding citizens and their property. Finally, the actions of Police should not be hindered by political agenda's.

As an example of the problems with the current system, I enclose a copy of a letter we provided to the Police dated 15 December 2006 and nothing has changed in 2 years as we continue to have problems with the same person. The last time was on Wednesday, 10 December 2008. This has added considerable extra costs for management, security and repairs to our public toilet facilities. Given the ongoing trouble that we have experienced we have met with local representatives and the Police and advised that we may have to close our public toilets unless regular police patrols take place. Do you think it is reasonable that the rights of many thousand customers should be adversely affected by a few?

Please contact me if you would like any further information on this matter.

Regards,

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