February 2009

CMC Review of Police Move-on Powers GPO Box 3123 Brisbane Qld 4001

Submission to the CMC: Review of Queensland's police move-on powers.

Below I set out details about my personal experiences with move-on powers and my comments about their use and effect. I have also supplied my personal details and request that you keep my identity confidential.

A. I have had the following experiences with the move-on powers:

EXPERIENCE ONE

1. I was asked to move on (approximate year/month/time of day):

Couple of months ago around lunchtime

2. At the time I was asked to move on I lived:

- Sleeping rough
- Hostel/ Boarding House
- ✓ Staying with friends
- o Private rental
- o Other.....

3. When I was asked to move on I was at this location (eg. Name of street, landmark):

Rockhampton Mall

4. When I was asked to move on I was (doing what? eg. Waiting for a service, meeting with friends, sleeping):

Meeting with friends

5. The police officer told me to move on to (eg. Distance from location, no place specified?):

He said I wasn't allowed back in the mall for the rest of the day

- 6. The police officer told me I could not return for: (please tick the appropriate box)
 - o 1 Hour

- o Up to 10 hours
- ✓ Up to 24 hours
- No time frame given
- o Other.....

Please cross through which option does not apply in points 7, 8, 9 and 10:

7. The police officer gave me no reason for moving on, OR

The police officer told me I was being moved on because:

They said I had to move on didn't state why.

8. I was *not* given a warning about what would happen if I did not comply with the move on direction; OR

I was given a warning about what would happen if I did not comply with the move-on direction, and the warning was:

I didn't bother to argue the point. I just left.

9. I think I was given a reasonable time to comply with the move-on direction; OR

I think I was *not* given a reasonable time to comply with the move-on direction, because:

10. After I was told to move on I followed the direction and (eg. I went to):

I went to my uncles for the day

OR

After I was told to move on I did *not* follow the direction and I was:

- a. Arrested and charged with I didn't get charged for it!
- b. Convicted and received the following penalty.....
- c. Fined the amount of which I have / have not paid because......

EXPERIENCE TWO

1. I was asked to move on (approximate year/month/time of day):

- 2. At the time I was asked to move on I lived:
 - o Sleeping rough

- o Hostel/ Boarding House
- o Staying with friends
- o Private rental
- o Other.....
- 3. When I was asked to move on I was at this location (eg. Name of street, landmark):
- 4. When I was asked to move on I was (doing what? eg. Waiting for a service, meeting with friends, sleeping):
- 5. The police officer told me to move on to (eg. Distance from location, no place specified?):
- 6. The police officer told me I could not return for: (please tick the appropriate box)
 - o 1 Hour
 - o Up to 10 hours
 - Up to 24 hours
 - o No time frame given
 - o Other.....

Please cross through which option does not apply in points 7, 8, 9 and 10:

7. The police officer gave me no reason for moving on, OR

The police officer told me I was being moved on because:

8. I was given a warning about what would happen if I did not comply with the move on direction, and the warning was:

OR

I was *not* given a warning about what would happen if I did not comply with the move-on direction.

9. I think I was given a reasonable time to comply with the move-on direction; OR

I think I was *not* given a reasonable time to comply with the move-on direction, because:

10. After I was told to move on I followed the direction and (eg. I went to):

OR

After I was told to move on I did *not* follow the direction and I was:

- a. Arrested and charged with
- b. Convicted and received the following penalty.....
- c. Fined the amount of which I have / have not paid because

B. My comments on the use and effect of move-on powers are:

I think police move-on powers are (cross through whatever doesn't apply)

- Fair / unfair
- Proper / improper
- Effective / ineffective

I would like the following change to the move-on powers: (how and why would you like powers changed):

Other ideas, solutions, suggestions for change to the use of move-on powers are: