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**Clayfield Electorate Office**

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**To:** Clayfield Electorate Office  
**Subject:** Recent Crime Activity

**Categories:** [REDACTED]

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Dear Tim,

My name is [REDACTED] and my family and I live in [REDACTED] in [REDACTED]. On the 4th of January this year whilst we on holidays over at Stradbroke Island, we received a call from Hendra Police Station alerting us to the fact that our car had been reported being driven by 4 young males and they were checking that these people were known to us (they obviously weren't).

On the afternoon of the 3rd of January, these four teenagers broke into our house by literally kicking in our heavy wooden front door. We don't know the exact timeline of events, but they had stolen a car from Sandgate and parked it at the front of our place at 4pm on 03/01/2020. Our neighbours reported hearing a loud noise at approx 8pm that evening as well. Between 4pm and the next morning they slept in our beds, showered, went through our entire house and drove out of the driveway in our car at 7:15am on 04/01/2020.

We were lucky that they weren't a little bit older and didn't take any extreme valuables ie art, jewellery etc. They were teenagers and only took things that would be of personal use to them - cash, electronics and both of my younger brothers' clothing and my parents' Porsche.

It is an odd feeling having known that complete strangers with not the best intentions have been through your entire house, know who you are, looked at all your family images, slept in your room etc - they have a complete profile of you.

We have gone through the police and insurance process and there is still an ongoing investigation open however, the judicial system continually seems to be in the offenders' favours and against us.

For a matter of weeks, we had no idea who these people were but through family friends, we were alerted to the "brisbanenorthside" Instagram page, which is platform these teenagers use to publicise and flaunt their criminal activity. They suggested we request it to see if our car had happened to have been posted on it. Sure enough, they had uploaded 2 videos of them driving it and also 3 images of them posing on top of it with all their stolen goods. All of their faces and clothing were blurred but we knew it was our car because of the date stamp. We then subsequently filtered through all the accounts that this "brisbanenorthside" account follows and found that 3 accounts had uploaded images of themselves with our car as their profile picture. Through family/mutual friends, we were able to find someone who actually followed these people so now we have clear images of these teenagers with their faces and our car's number plate. We have been told that these images are not permissible as evidence unless we are willing to sign a public statement with our names and address on it saying that we found this evidence and handed it over to the police ourselves... aka an open invitation for the perpetrators to come back and do it again as an act of revenge for dobbing them in. It baffles me that the police/courts/governments have no power to shut this page down - it has 12,000 followers and they accepted my request within 10mins of adding them. Pages like these are of no use to the community because 1) it provides them with a platform to boast and publicise their behaviour, 2) gives other children/teenagers in similar family/life situations ideas and knowledge of the "fun" they could also be having.

One of the laptops that they stole, we locked via Apple and on the 10th of January, we were sent an address of a location that someone has logged onto the laptop at. We have also passed this address onto the police and the

response we were given was "we might go and have a chat to them".

So we now find ourselves in a position where we feel like they are being protected and we are just forgotten. It seems as though there will not be any repercussions for their actions because they are all juvenile.

We are lucky because we have insurance in order to pay for the damage they have caused, in total roughly \$15,000 of goods was stolen and there is \$45,000 damage to the car. I feel sorry for the families who are targeted and aren't insured and are left to pick up the pieces whilst the offenders roam free and continue to target other innocent people and families.

it is sad looking at the images of them with our car below and seeing how young they are. Unless they are taught that this is the wrong thing to do, their lives will continue to circle in this world of crime and they will end up committing more and more serious crimes.

Hearing the stories from all our family and friends in the neighbourhood who have been through similar experiences in the past 5 months or it seems as though on the off chance that they are caught, they are instantly released on bail and the charges amount to nothing because they are all underage.

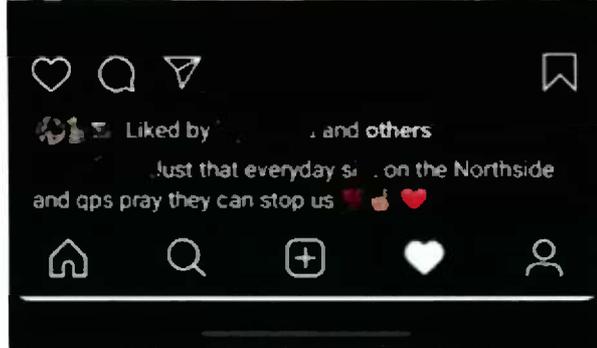
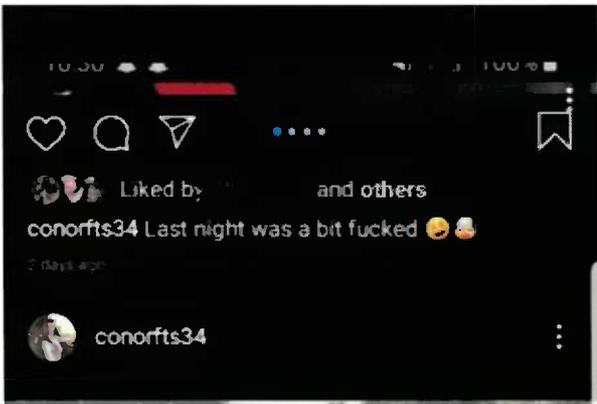
I am writing this to you as a formal request to please take the crime that is happening in our neighbourhood currently to parliament to discuss and attempt to find a solution. The judicial system needs an obvious change because at the moment, these kids are behaving extremely brazen because they know that there are laws to protect them, laws essentially enabling them to commit these crimes.

i look forward to hearing from you.

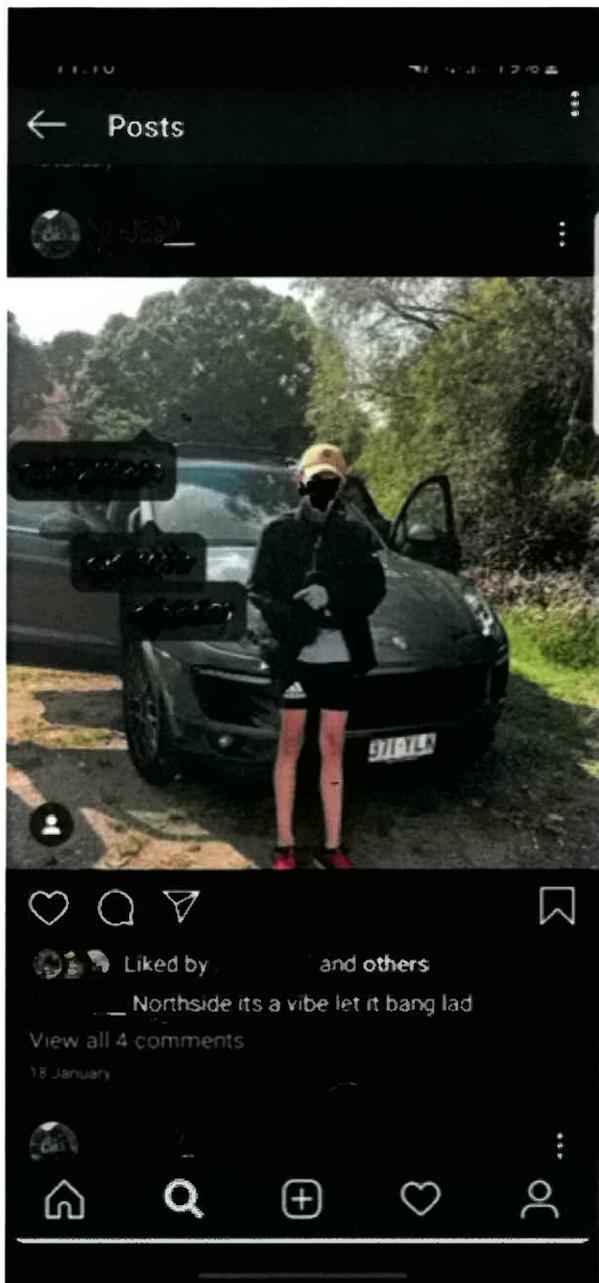
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