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Please find attached my story of why Toowoomba should not have extended hotel trading hours due to alcohol related violence in our community

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Dear members,
Congratulations on your stand re
extended trading hours at Ipswich city
hotels.

I am not a labour voter but you have
generally got one thing right. Credit where
credit is due.

A lot of you would have teenagers
& should be extremely worried when they
venture out for a night out. I am past that
but fear for my grandchildren in years to come
if something is not done soon.

Violence is becoming part of a night
out for some people. We are victims of
young people staggering home at some ungodly
hours of the morning waking us with foul
language, fighting with fence palings, littering
our footpaths with the empty "one for the road"
& damaging our property.

Harsher laws must also be introduced
for hotels allowing drunk people to enter their
premises.

We attended a 21st party at a local
hotel last Saturday night where the young ones

was drunk when we left at 9.0 p.m. They
continued on there for some time before
~~moving into town to the night clubs.~~ This
is where they should have been refused
entry for a start & alcohol once inside.
I can only hope that the opening hours
that are in place at this stage do not
change.

So many young peoples lives have
been changed forever either from being the
victim or the offender. Quite often guilt
on both parts fuelled by alcohol.

Thank you for allowing me to have
a say.

Yours faithfully
E. Neelan.