

## Youth Justice Reform Select Committee inquiry into youth justice reform in Queensland

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From 14 January 2019  
Handed in to [REDACTED] Police Station  
No response given.

Please can you include this victim impact statement for me.  
Many thanks Christie Campbell

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[REDACTED] - Campbell Victim Impact Statement

It has been over a month since our lives were shattered. We woke at 4:15 AM to the loud sound of crashing and it felt like the house was falling over. We discovered that our house had been broken into and our car stolen. The accused had broken into our home and stolen our car keys, and then unable to find our gate remote, reversed our car through the gate, leaving immense damage - please refer to police photos. The accused then went on a joy run and burned out the car, before doing the same thing to a second vehicle a few hours later. Apparently the accused was high on drugs and did not know what he was doing. However, we believe that this was a premeditated crime, as the panel beaters found WD40 in the car that was used extensively to mask fingerprints. This incident, whilst it only lasted a few minutes has had a huge effect on our lives 1) Financially. \$6000 (gate) and \$50000 (Toyota Prado, which has been written off.) Although we have insurance to cover the damage we have still had to pay an excess -\$500 for home insurance) and \$600 (car insurance.) 2) Inconvenience Our insurance gave us a hire car for two weeks, but our old car has still not yet been fixed or replaced. Hence we have not had a car, and had to rely on the generosity of neighbours to lend us their vehicles. In addition, you can imagine how disruptive it is to get locks changed and tradesmen in to repair damage over the Christmas period. 3) Emotional My 10 year old son has been too scared to sleep in his bedroom, as he fears the accused will come into the house and harm him. My husband is still trying to overcome his anger, which is a normal response to this pointless invasion of our property. I am still waking up on a nightly basis hearing noises, and wondering if our home is going to be broken into again. I used to be a deep sleeper but am now really nervous. What we would like to see happen moving forward: 1) The accused needs to accept responsibility for his actions. We would like to make a compensation claim against the offender. If not possible we would ask for the accused family to refund us the insurance excess (\$1100) we have had to pay. The family has the means to do this. The car they drive is worth in excess of \$80000 and they also have other vehicles, plus the means to pay monthly rental on a desirable property. If the entire amount can not be paid in one amount we can accept monthly instalments, or even wait until the accused gets a job, and he can pay us back. If the Queensland Courts do not allow for this we would like to see the accused serve a predetermined number of hours of community service. 2) An apology This can be written or verbal, but if he is sincere he needs to acknowledge what he has done and apologise for his actions. 3) Justice, or correct punishment for the crime. The reason that minors become repeat offenders is that they are not given adequate punishment for their crime. The investigating officer for this case [REDACTED] has told me that the accused feels no remorse

and will reoffend. If this is the case then please do not let him back out into society, to destroy other people's lives. 4) Do not allow the accused back on our property. I'm afraid to say that sometime after this event there was another incident at our house (possibly on New Year's Eve), whereby youths tried to break in again. This time without success, as we have added extra locks. However marks have been left on our doors and windows and this is unsightly. I can't be 100% sure that this was the accused, as no fingerprints were taken, however for peace of mind please can you put a restraining order on him preventing him coming anywhere near [REDACTED]. We have also installed video surveillance cameras to help monitor the situation. Many thanks Christie Campbell [REDACTED]