## Inquiry into campaigning at polling places Submission 13

I understand there is an enquiry to commence into conduct at polling booths.

My personal experience from the last state election was that the Labor party had people at several booths who's roles were to intimidate other booth volunteers.

I was approached by what can only be described as a Bikie who verbally abused people as they erected signs and then stood shoulder to shoulder with people whispering things like "liar" and "bull\*\*\*\*" to people handing out HTV cards as voters walked passed.

The booth in question was the Banora Point Primary School

I personally can't understand why we have this system of voting in public places which creates such a waste of resources to only be binned at the of the day.

There are not only too many booth options but the AEC needs to open up electronic voting options and look at trailing a limit on the number of posters / signs at booths and having HTV stands which hold ALL the parties or individuals HTV flyers – this will limit the number of people harassing volunteers and people coming along to vote.