

Regional banking and bank closures.

Hello to secretariat Regional Banking Taskforce, financial System Division.

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Near Craighburn Farm suburb is an adjoining suburb of Blackwood SA where the local shops, business premises, library, post office, banks and other premises and facilities.

We use to have numerous banks in this business area. In recent times the Commonwealth Bank, the ANZ Bank, NAB have closed. The Westpac Bank Branch at Blackwood is still open but only with very restricted hours and days of the week. To bank with those Blackwood banks which have closed bank customers now need to travel to those banks located in suburbs further away from Blackwood. Most of those banks are 20-30 minutes drive away.

I bank with NAB. I have to now travel about a half an hour away to access a NAB branch to attend to any banking with NAB. This is frustrating and inconvenient. I get annoyed. One can do internet banking but often I have to attend in person to conduct my banking with NAB. I also bank with the Blackwood Westpac Branch. As this bank's trading hours and days are restricted this makes banking with Westpac very inconvenient.

I am very frustrating that my main bank NAB branch at Blackwood closed I am frustrated that my Westpac Branch at Blackwood has restricted days and hours of being open and trading.

I wish that those Blackwood bank branches which have closed, could be re opened for normal trading days and hours as they were. This would be much more convenient.

I now lodge my protest that these Blackwood Bank Branches, should not have been closed, nor should they have had their hours and days restricted.
Shame on those banks. Those Blackwood bank customers are now inconvenienced.

I forward this information, in the hope that those who banks which have been closed, can be re opened, for those banking customers convenience.

Regards
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