I am very disappointed at the lack of breadth for this enquiry. I was not very impacted by the restrictions imposed wholesale on members of the community, irrespective of individual situations. Although in a higher risk (sic) category, I was able to adjust my work and lifestyle so as not to be particularly inconvenienced, apart from the absurd and unscientific demand for face masks, which as you will be aware were used time and time again, rather than discarded after one use per mask!!!

Despite my relative lack of adverse impact, my and in particular my , were significantly affected, both emotionally and educationally.

I am a volunteer at a local public school, and even to a lay person such as me, the reading standard, especially among lower grade students has plummeted. And how could it not be so with the restrictions placed on their learning? As the evidence grows from other countries, that did not impose such onerous restrictions, less appears to be safer overall in the long run.

I hope the enquiry will come to this same conclusion and that we never have to experience such a restriction of our human rights again as in the years of the COVID panic.

Yours Sincerely,

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