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Newcastle Tells Howard: Hands off Our Workplace Rights

Federal Member for Newcastle Sharon Grierson said today it was essential that the community continues to voice its opposition to the Howard Government's extreme workplace relations changes.

"I have been out on the weekend listening to the community, and hundreds of Novocastrians told me they were concerned about losing their rights in the workplace, in particular fearing that young people could be further exploited," Ms Grierson said.

"Over 1,000 people from all over the City also signed a petition on the weekend, to be presented to Federal Parliament, opposing the Howard Government's changes."

"I expect Novocastrians will also make their feelings known through a big turnout at tomorrow's National Day of Community Protest," Ms Grierson said.

The protest is expected to be the biggest ever worker and community meeting, with a national link-up to be broadcast via the Sky Channel network.

The National Day of Community Protest will begin at 8.30am at Newcastle Panthers, tomorrow, 15 November 2005.

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