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What is your message regarding? Public Toilets

Your message

I'm very concerned about an issue I read in the mornings newspapers. The Mayor is planning to make public toilets around London gender-neutral. This apparently will help transgender people feel more comfortable and less intimidated when going to the toilet. That has to be a very good thing for them. BUT as a woman, it will make me less comfortable and more vulnerable if I should find myself in toilets where I may be a lone female. It's bad enough not knowing who is in the next cubicle in female toilets - I've had experience of women looking over the top into toilets I've been in, which is a minor irritation but I would not be so relaxed if it should be a man. Reading this you

probably think I'm bonkers but I'm not alone in not wishing to go into mixed toilet arrangements. Surely, it's not beyond the wit of man to ADD gender neutral toilets in much the same way as disabled toilets have been added?

It probably sounds crude but Mayors nor men seem to understand the vulnerability of women when their underwear is round their ankles. The last thing you want to think about is a man waiting outside the door! I'm all for everyone getting their rights but not by talking away 50% of the populations right to have peace of mind while doing what everyone needs to do. Before you think I'm a shy shrinking violet. I'm a 70 year old woman who travels the world with a husband and grown up children, been in some very bad toilets and have been glad ours were not like that!

Yours in hope
Margaret Laycock
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