

*A strong voice for our future*

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## LNP sure to ‘cut, sack and sell’

How many teachers, nurses and police will be sacked by the LNP to fund its “announcements” today, the Member for Keppel Brittany Lauga questioned.

Ms Lauga said voters should examine which services will be cut to fund the LNP’s unfunded wishlist touted today by LNP deputy leader Tim Mander.

“The LNP has made over \$23 billion in unfunded, uncosted election commitments which they have not yet released their costings for.

“The only way the LNP can pay for these ‘announcements’ is by cutting services, sacking workers and selling assets.

“It’s in the LNP’s DNA to cut, sack and sell. They’ve done it before and they will do it again.

“When Deb Frecklington was former Premier Campbell Newman’s deputy, she cut 300 police personnel and didn’t allow enough funding for police cars and other essential equipment.

“In contrast, the Palaszczuk Government has hired 2000 more police personnel across Queensland since it came to government.”

“Now the LNP is tossing around unfunded money for Great Keppel Island and a Keppel Bay Sailing Club convention centre.

“Where is this money coming from? Who or what will be sacked?”

“Tim Mander and Deb Frecklington are always whingeing about the Palaszczuk Government’s work to help our economy recover from this global pandemic.

“My question Mr Mander is always ‘How many nurses will you sack to fund these false promises?’”

Ms Lauga said negotiations and discussions with Great Keppel Island developers Altum continue constructively.

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“I talk with Altum multiple times every week in a bid to progress work on Great Keppel Island as soon as possible,” she said.

“We committed to invest \$25 million in new infrastructure and we’re following through – now delivering \$30 million.

“One Nation, the LNP and numerous companies over the years have promised plenty for Great Keppel Island. But they’ve delivered nothing.

“We are the only ones with the money on the table to deliver infrastructure on Great Keppel Island. Infrastructure planned includes such things as a barge slant boat ramp and water treatment facilities.

“We will work with any company that’s keen to invest in Great Keppel Island.

“But GKI is prime, waterfront real estate. We will not sign a deal with any company unless they have the funds to deliver what they promise,” said Ms Lauga..

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