

A strong voice for our future

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Time for Pauline Hanson to remove 'nasty' election signs

The re-elected Member for Keppel and Assistant Education Minister Brittany Lauga has called on Wade Rothery, James Ashby, Pauline Hanson and One Nation to remove their “nasty” election signs.

She said politics can be a nasty business and these signs, authorised by James Ashby, show how low and desperate One Nation has sunk.

“One Nation treated the people of Keppel as fools and the people responded with a crumbling ON vote on election day.

“Hundreds of people have contacted me to voice their disgust in the One Nation signs which were erected around the community over 12 months ago.”

“The good people of Keppel know how hard I’ve worked since I was elected to deliver \$29 million for the new Yeppoon lagoon, an extra 93 doctors and 192 extra nurses in our hospitals and a brand new \$14.3 million detox and rehab centre for CQ with construction starting soon.”

She said the signs were defamatory to her and, in the end, backfired.

“That was reflected in the vote.

“They falsely claimed that I can’t be trusted.

“Well, the vote would tell you that the people of Keppel trust me to be their representative for the next four years.

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“Thank you Keppel! It’s an honour and a privilege to be declared by the Electoral Commission as the winner in Keppel.

“Thank you to Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk MP, all of my team of volunteers and supporters and importantly, to the good people of Keppel who have trusted me with another term of hard work, passion and determination to make our community stronger.

“Now it’s about building on that economic momentum, creating jobs, providing services and working hard every day for the community.”

I am excited about the projects I have committed to, and which I will deliver for the people of Keppel.

These include:

- A new and expanded North Rockhampton Ambulance Station
- 8 new renal dialysis chairs at the Capricorn Coast Hospital
- More than 450 new teachers and over 100 new teacher aides will be employed in the Central Queensland region
- Free TAFE and free apprenticeships for under 25s
- \$19 million Emu Park-Rocky Road upgrades including overtaking lanes and other priority safety and capacity improvements
- \$18.2 million to deliver a new cardiac hybrid theatre at Rockhampton Hospital
- \$2 million upgrade to Rosslyn Bay Boat Harbour for better facilities for local boaties and tourists accessing the southern Great Barrier Reef
- A new clubhouse, unisex dressing sheds/toilets, canteen, and referees’ room for Cap Coast Brothers JRLFC at St. Brendan's College
- 150 extra police personnel and mobile police beat for the Central Region
- \$2.3 million to upgrade Norman Road

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- Hire more frontline health staff in Central Queensland including 285 nurses, 47 doctors and 47 health professionals
- Eight additional frontline Labour Hire Compliance inspectors for regional Queensland
- \$500,000 for increased capacity at Taranganba State School OSHC
- Essential upgrades to Yeppoon and North Rockhampton state high schools
- \$12.8 million for expansion and refurbishment of the mental health ward at Rockhampton Hospital
- A 15 per cent cut in irrigation water charges from state-owned irrigation schemes and a 50 per cent cut for fruit and vegetable growers
- Four additional firefighters in the Rockhampton region
- Made in Queensland and Manufacturing Hubs Grants
- \$35.2 million to provide a purse for prize money and maintenance of tracks and facilities at country racetracks
- \$150 FairPlay vouchers to cover sign-on costs for kids' sport
- Multi-million-dollar upgrades to Emu Park, Farnborough, Keppel Sands, Mount Archer, Taranganba & Yeppoon state schools

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