Henderson Offers the People of Alice Nothing

The Territory Opposition is disappointed the needs of the people of Alice Springs simply don't appear on the Chief Minister's radar.

“I’m amazed the Chief Minister travelled to Alice Springs today merely to offer his candidate for Araluen a higher rate of pay should he be successful on October the 9th, says Matt Conlan, Shadow Minister for Central Australia.

“In effect the Chief Minister said the one thing I'll do for the people of Alice Springs is to have another Labor parliamentarian oversee the Government’s ineffective Youth Action Plan.

“Where are Labor’s policies for dealing with Alice’s high rates of crime, our housing crisis or for strengthening the local economy?

“Once again we see that Labor only thinks about itself and that the people run a very distant second.

“The Chief Minister’s offer also delivers a stinging backhander to his Minister for Central Australia and his Minister for Young People.

“In essence the Chief Minister is saying that Karl Hampton and Rob Knight aren't up to the job of running the Youth Action Plan in Alice Springs.

“The fact there were just 4 Family Responsibility Agreements entered into in Alice Springs last year is an indictment on his entire Government.

’Why hasn’t the Chief Minister outlined plans for improving this woefully inadequate outcome?

“Paul Henderson’s Government has failed the people of Central Australia and today we discovered he intends to do nothing about it.”

Further comment: Matt Conlan 0408 805 338