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VOWLES CAUGHT BEHIND ON COST OF HOUSING

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Labor candidate Ken Vowles has again sparked controversy by claiming the high cost of housing is not a concern for locals.

Shadow Treasurer John Elferink called on Paul Henderson to rebuke Mr Vowles’ comments which came this morning during an ABC Darwin debate between the Country Liberals’ Jo Sangster and Labor’s Ken Vowles.

Mr Vowles said, “I can tell you now that housing hasn’t been an issue, it really hasn’t” ABC Darwin 21/08/12.

“Ken Vowles is completely out of touch with the community if he thinks the cost of housing is not hurting families right now,” Mr Elferink said.

“I call on Mr Henderson to either stand by the remarks or completely rebuke them.

“Labor’s belief that the cost of housing is not an issue is exactly why Labor doesn’t deserve another four years.

“Labor will never deliver action on housing affordability because they don’t really believe it is a problem.

“Another four years of Labor means another four years of short-term band-aid solutions and dodgy mortgage schemes that expose the government’s balance sheet to financial risks.

“Only the Country Liberals’ have a real plan for housing affordability that will deliver 2,000 affordable homes and more land released.”
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