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CLP begin public housing sell off

Incoming Shadow Minister for Public and Affordable Housing, Nicole Manison, said today that the CLP are ignoring homeless Territorians with their sell-off of public assets.

The newly elected Member for Wanguri said that providing low-cost housing is a key responsibility of the any Government.

“The CLP are auctioning off public housing assets at a time when every home is needed. This will increase waiting lists, and put more pressure on people faced with homelessness,” Ms Manison said.

“The sale of public assets to existing tenants is understandable to fulfill the dream of owning their own homes. However, public housing must not be sold off as a cash grab.

“The CLP Government has a responsibility to deliver public housing for Territorians.

“This cash grab represents a return to the former CLP policy of selling off thousands of dwellings, pocketing the returns with no significant upgrade or replacement of housing stock,” Ms Manison said.

“It’s very clear that the Government’s policies are the result of the whims of the CLP old boys.

“This decision comes at a time when Territorians are facing immense price hikes under the CLP Government’s $2,000 PowerWater tariff increases which is putting more pressure on rents.”

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