BAHNERT HITS THE BLAIN CAMPAIGN TRAIL

Opposition Leader Delia Lawrie today welcomed Geoff Bahnert as the Territory Labor candidate for Blain in the upcoming by-election.

“Geoff is a familiar face to people in Blain having contested the seat in the 2012 election and is a strong local candidate,” Ms Lawrie said.

“As a father of five he understands the cost of living pressures facing Palmerston families.”

Mr Bahnert said he was looking forward to the Blain campaign and would be on the doors today.

“I’m on leave from work as of 10am today and ready to work for the people of Blain,” he said.

“I’m looking forward to campaigning across Moulden, Woodroffe, Rosebery, Zuccoli and Bellamack to listen to the concerns of residents.

“I don’t shy away from how tough this is going to be but I’m hitting the ground running and look forward to catching up with residents again.”

Ms Lawrie said the feedback she received from residents on the weekend was a strong resentment to the CLP cost of living hikes and knifing of Terry Mills.

“Residents were horrified to learn they face more power prices increases of 9 per cent and that PowerWater is being split up making it ripe for sale.

“There are a lot of families who are angry with the CLP cuts to teachers at Rosebery Middle School and Palmerston Senior College and feel that too many CLP election promises have been broken.

“Adam Giles and the CLP have delayed the Palmerston Hospital to the extent that there isn’t an opening date.

“People in Blain have an opportunity in this by-election to vote for a decent bloke in Geoff Bahnert and send Adam Giles and the CLP Government the strong message that they cannot continue to be an arrogant government that hurts Territorians.”

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