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TRANSPORT ADDS TO CLP COST OF LIVING WOES

Shadow Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Kon Vatskalis, said the Northern Territory Council of Social Services (NTCOSS) Cost of Living report released today highlights the increasing cost of living pressures facing Territorians under the CLP Government.

“Territorians are struggling with the high cost of living in the Territory,” Mr Vatskalis said.

“The NTCOSS report shows that the Territory is the only jurisdiction in Australia where people are spending more money on transportation than they are on food.

“With power and water bills at an all-time high, the NTCOSS report shows that Territory households pay more on transport than anywhere else in the country so there is little relief in sight for low income families.

“Territorians are working hard to make ends meet but are finding it tough under the CLP Government.”

Mr Vatskalis said that the CLP Government has done nothing to reduce the cost of living in the Territory despite promising to do so at the last election.

“Nothing has been done to help Territorians that are struggling with the cost of living in the Territory,” Mr Vatskalis said.

“Power and water, food, transport, housing and health services are all expensive in the Territory.

“Territorians deserve to have these burdens lightened.

“The CLP Government continues to show that they do not care about Territorians battling to pay their bills.

“The residents of Blain have an opportunity to send Adam Giles and the CLP Government a message at the by-election on Saturday that they are fed up with the lack of policy initiatives that help struggling Territorians.
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“The CLP Government has raised the cost of power and water, cut the Homestart Extra and My New Home schemes that were put in place to help Territorians enter the property market and as today’s report shows the CLP has done nothing to alleviate the increasing cost of transport in the Territory.

“I urge the residents of Blain to send a strong message to Adam Giles and vote for the Labor Candidate for Blain, Geoff Bahnert, on Saturday.”

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