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DELUSIONAL DAVE’S DREAMLAND DENIAL

Shadow Minister for Government Accountability, Ken Vowles, today called upon Treasurer, Dave Tollner, to return to planet earth and face up to the fact that the CLP Government is hurting Territorians with continuing power price hikes.

Mr Vowles said the Chief Minister and the Treasurer’s unbelievable insistence that living in the Territory is cheaper than elsewhere in the country showed a dismissive and arrogant contempt for the plight of Territorians struggling to make ends meet.

“Not to be out done by his ridiculously out of touch Chief Minister, Treasurer Dave Tollner has joined the increasingly shrill chorus of CLP Ministers telling Territorians that they’ve never had it so good,” Mr Vowles said.

“The Treasurer’s pathetic attempt to claim power is cheaper in the Territory is particularly galling considering he is the architect of past power price rises and of plans to privatise Power Water, plans that will see prices rise even further.

“It might be news to the Chief Minister and Treasurer but for ordinary Territorians only one thing matters – the actual size of the power bill.

“Maybe The Treasurer and Chief Minister think that all Territorians have access to private jets, unlimited hospitality expense accounts and open ended fuel cards?

“The CLP message to Territorians is simple – suck it up and stop whinging.

“My challenge to the Treasurer is to peel himself off his fifth floor balcony lounge, walk down the street, and convince anyone at all that power and the cost of living is cheap in the Territory.”

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