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HOUSING INVESTMENT AND TENANCY MANAGEMENT TO BE DECIDED LOCALLY

Labor Leader Michael Gunner said he will reverse the centralised decision making that currently surrounds housing and will devolve responsibility to shires, regional authorities or to approved housing groups. The people will have the decision making about what to build, where to build, how to build and who will build.

“Labor will work with Territorians living in remote communities to allow them to determine who will make these decisions. I will not impose any ‘one size fits all’ solutions. We will trust remote Territorians to make the right decisions about who should oversight and implement housing programs,” Michael Gunner said.

Mr Gunner said the impact of removing decision making from local communities has resulted in a housing tenancy program that was slow to resolve issues for tenants and confusion on the ground as to who is responsible for what parts of the program.

“I am determined to allow local people to make local decisions.

“I will ensure that a Labor Government works with communities to capacity build local people to manage these programs where required.”

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