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Call for Government to fix dangerous wharf

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CLP Leader Terry Mills has accused the Government of ignoring the dangerous state of a large section of Fisherman's Wharf that has been deemed so unsafe it has had to be cordoned off by security mesh fencing.

Mr Mills said major work costing millions of dollars is urgently needed and the longer the Government ignored the problem the more risk the wharf presented.

“The Government has allocated no money in the Budget for fixing the wharf so it is clear it is going to allow the problem to get worse, despite the very real safety risk it presents,” Mr Mills said.

“The fishing industry contributes millions to the Territory economy, yet the Government is sitting on its hands while a major piece of infrastructure is being left to deteriorate and in a dangerous state of disrepair.

“If the wharf gives way a section around 12 metres deep, which includes a road way, could slip into the harbor.”

Mr Mills said the Government needed to put out an urgent tender to fix the dangerous section of wharf.

“This Government can find money for all manner of things when it suits. Fixing the wharf is something meaningful that the Government can find a genuine use for taxpayer's money,” Mr Mills said.

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