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Developer donations

Illegal behaviour must be condemned and corrupt conduct dealt with by the full force of the law. The LNP appreciates the constructive contribution by the LGAQ, mayors and councillors in response to the recommendations made by the Crime and Corruption Commission's Operation Belcarra report.

The LNP sought and received a briefing from Mr Macsporrán with respect to the recommendations made by the CCC, and was preparing to consider the government's legislative response during the committee process. This was truncated by the calling of the election.

We must ensure that there is a proper discussion about these issues instead of tarring everyone with the same brush. Unfortunately, the Palaszczuk Labor Government has sought to use the report as a political tool. Anastacia Palaszczuk isn't prepared to extend the same scrutiny regarding donations to the lawless unions.

In its submission to the government's legislation in response to the Belcarra report the CCC made it clear that the Belcarra report "did not involve any detailed specific consideration of corruption risks in state elections and decision-making" and that the government's legislation "depart(s) from the scope of the Belcarra Report recommendations". The CCC suggested that "a proper public consultation process is highly desirable" with respect to extending the Belcarra recommendations to State Government. The LNP agrees with the CCC submissions in this regard.

The LNP will, in consultation with the LGAQ, resume the legislative changes to the councillor complaints system which lapsed once Anastacia Palaszczuk called an early election.

Crime and Corruption Commission (CCC)

Labor reduced the budget for the CCC in the current year, despite their plea for additional assistance.

They have also had several Ministers investigated for corruption.

The LNP is happy to consider any measures that strengthen laws dealing with corruption.

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