

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

THE NATIONAL PARTY ARE OUT-OF-TOUCH

Mallee MP Andrew Broad recently claimed he was doing his job despite the fact we have not seen him at any major announcements since he announced he would vacate the seat of Mallee at the next election. Remaining in office for 151 more days means an extra \$83,989 in Mr Broad's bank account, and he had the cheek to say the taxpayers in Mallee only have to cough up \$2 bucks each to cover his invisible cruise to the end.

When 23% of people in Mildura live on less than \$650 a week, a statistic reflected across many towns in the Mallee electorate, it shows a clear lack of understanding from the incumbent suggests he has always been distant from the wide needs of the great Mallee community. Every opportunity to hide the incumbent has been embraced, equally promoted by rolling our election promises by a fly-in senator to create photo opportunities for a Nationals candidate. This has not gone unnoticed.

Throughout my campaigning I continue to hear people speak of the Nationals being disconnected. This is not good enough!

If Mallee wants more of this disengagement and disrespect, we can shrug our shoulders and continue to cast the same vote. Or, we can stand up and demand community representation away from this out-of-touch National Party machine.

As your Independent candidate, I would not lose contact with the real people of the Mallee. I will keep all representatives honest by continuing to ask the hard questions, and amplify Mallee's voice in Canberra. And I will not treat taxpayers with disrespect.

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