

# Doing What Matters Plan

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## Premier's foreword

Queenslanders are strong and resilient.  
When times are tough, we band together.  
We've battled natural disasters.  
We've withstood a global pandemic.  
And we've confronted a global cost of living crisis.  
Each time we confront these challenges, we do so in a uniquely Queensland way.  
A big part of governing, particularly in a state prone to natural disaster like Queensland, is being able to respond to a crisis.  
But that's not the only part of being a government.  
It's formulating a vision of the future.  
And delivering it.  
Those who don't live in Queensland don't fully understand us.  
We're often maligned, written off.  
But Queensland has always been a place of opportunity.  
A place of big ideas.  
Queensland is where the Australian union movement was born and Queensland is where hospital care was first made free for all.  
We haven't lost our vigour.  
I look across our country, indeed, the entire world - there's nowhere else I'd rather be.  
We're leading the race to clean energy - meaning more Queensland jobs, and lower energy prices.  
We're delivering Australia's biggest investment in hospital beds - ever.

And we're backing it in with the biggest intake of frontline staff Queensland's ever seen.

By maintaining public ownership of our electricity assets, we've taken \$1,000 off every Queenslanders' energy bill - more than anywhere else.

And we have reimagined how

people travel throughout our community with 50 cent fares.

There's no doubt just like other places around the world we've got our challenges in Queensland.

But I believe we have a plan to take Queensland forward.

To fully realise the awesome opportunity before us, we have to grasp it with both hands.

This is my Doing What Matters plan.

A plan that sets out my vision for inter-generational prosperity and security for Queensland in a changing world.

My vision for the future prioritises enhancing the things that make Queensland great, and addressing the challenges that all Queenslanders are currently facing.

### **The Doing What Matters plan has nine key priorities:**

1. Lowering Household Bills
2. Homes for Queenslanders
3. Affordable, Convenient Transport
4. Cleaner and Cheaper Energy
5. Making Queenslanders Healthier
6. Keeping Queenslanders Safe
7. A Big Build for a Better Future
8. Enhancing Queenslanders' Lifestyle
9. Giving Queensland Kids the Best Start

Building on our economic and budget policy plan to have no new or increased taxes on the people of Queensland and to keep unemployment low by borrowing to build the economic transport, energy and water infrastructure our growing State needs.

My plan is an ambitious one.

But it is one borne of confidence.

Confidence in the unique ability of Queenslanders to unite behind a common purpose.

Confidence that by doing what matters we can make a better Queensland, for us all.



Steven Miles



## Lowering Household Bills

Labor knows that families are under pressure.

Rising costs are hitting family budgets, and Queenslanders, like many others across the world, are finding it harder to make ends meet.

Only Labor has a plan to deliver real relief now and a vision to put in place structural reforms that put downward pressure on prices over the long term.

The evidence shows that our approach is working.

ABS data shows that in the 12 months to August, electricity costs fell by 17.9 per cent. This is a direct result of our \$1,000 electricity rebate.

And 50 cent fares have made public transport cheaper than ever before.

Our cost of living relief is supporting inflation to come back down to the range for the Reserve Bank to cut interest rates.

Labor knows that when times are tough, Queenslanders need a government who will help them out.

The Miles Labor Government has been able to lend a helping hand to Queensland families because we took on multinational mining companies and made them pay their fair share of the superprofits they made from Queenslanders' natural resources.

That's why we'll continue to hold mining billionaires to account, and work to lower the household bills of Queenslanders.

A re-elected Miles Labor Government will do what matters and take Queensland forward with the largest cost of living relief provided by any State in Australia ever.

Only a re-elected Miles Labor Government will:

- Make 50 cent public transport fares permanent for Queenslanders indefinitely saving commuters hundreds to thousands of dollars a year
- Deliver 20 per cent off rego saving \$85 on a 4-cylinder car.
- Make school lunches free every day for every student in a Queensland State Primary School from Prep to year 6 delivering savings of \$1,600 on average per child in primary school.
- An energy price guarantee to ensure Queensland household power bills stay lower by investing in renewable energy and delivering rebates when needed building on the \$1,000 power rebates this year for all households, another \$372 for

pensioners and seniors and \$325 for small businesses.

- A new state-wide publicly owned energy retailer that every Queenslander can access for lower power prices. Saving over \$100 on power bills and providing competition and access to better energy deals in the regions.
- Put downward pressure on fuel prices by building twelve publicly owned fuel stations and capping daily price rises at the bowser to five cents a litre.
- Make it more affordable for 300,000 kids aged between five and 17 years to participate in sport and a healthy lifestyle with \$200 FairPlay vouchers.
- Support 50 new GP clinics with 100 per cent bulk billing across Queensland to provide more Queenslanders with affordable access to healthcare. Saving \$40 on average for an appointment and providing access to more than 500 extra GPs.
- Quadruple grants for recreational fishing groups and free annual passes to fish at stocked dams across Queensland.
- Deliver the \$30,000 First home owner grant for new builds up to \$750,000, abolishing stamp duty for first home buyers for a property under \$700,000 and capping rent increases to once a year.

### LNP RISK

All of this cost of living support is at risk from the LNP.

The LNP don't support our Cheaper Energy Plan, our publicly owned retailer, our power rebates, energy price guarantee, publicly owned fuel stations or caps on fuel prices.

The LNP have announced a plan to keep coal power stations open indefinitely that would drive up prices and pave the way for Peter Dutton's nuclear fantasy to drive up power bills by over \$1,200 per household.

The LNP's only cost of living plan is for multinational coal companies not Queenslanders.

The LNP will cut services, sack workers and sell assets to pay for their unfunded promises.

Queenslanders can't afford the LNP's cuts to pay for their unfunded promises that will only send Queensland backwards.

## Homes for Queenslanders

Labor has a vision where all Queenslanders can afford to live in the communities they love.

We know that record population growth is increasing demand for housing.

Despite housing completions every year remaining higher than under the LNP housing construction has not been able to keep up with the unprecedented numbers of people moving to Queensland.

That's why a re-elected Miles Labor Government will deliver on a comprehensive \$3.1 billion investment to deliver the largest investment in housing in Queensland's history.

It is a comprehensive plan to:

- Build more homes faster with a target to deliver 1 million new homes by 2046.
- 95 per cent of these new homes will need to be in the private housing market, that's why we will fund the trunk infrastructure to encourage more development.
- We are delivering a \$350 million fund to unlock the construction of new homes close to underutilised infrastructure.

### Support renters

Our government understands the enormous pressure that many renters in Queensland are under.

Under our Homes for Queenslanders Plan we are delivering a priority relief package for Queensland renters to support more people to stay in the private market and out of the social housing system.

Funding things like bridging loans, bond loans and other grants and subsidies.

We have increased duration for the Rental Security Subsidy from 12 to 24 months for all households and to 48 months for people under 25.

### Help first home owners

To support first home owners we have doubled the Queensland First Home Owner Grant to \$30,000 which is now the highest grant available in mainland Australia and removing stamp duty for homes under \$700,000.

Under our Homes for Queenslanders Plan we are providing a Queensland Home Finance Loan Pilot supporting Queenslanders living in regional locations and we are doing more to support First Nations peoples into home ownership.

### Boost our social housing Big Build

We are targeting 53,500 social homes by 2046. The largest investment in social housing in the history of Queensland.

### Work towards ending homelessness

To work towards ending homelessness we are delivering a record and permanent 20 per cent uplift to homelessness services and supporting dedicated teams to help more Queenslanders.

Our \$107 billion Big Build is critical to unlocking the housing supply that's needed for our growing State.

### LNP RISK

All of our investment in housing and infrastructure is at risk under an LNP Government.

The LNP cut funding for homelessness support services when last in government and tried to kick social housing tenants out of their homes.

The LNP's only plan for social housing was to sack 1,600 QBuild workers and then cut the social housing budget by 90%.

LNP members have opposed investment in housing in their communities and the Liberals have teamed up with the Greens to block billions of dollars of investment in housing.



## Affordable, Convenient Transport

Investments in transport are investments in people.

Investment in transport delivers good, secure construction jobs.

Investment in transport infrastructure unlocks access to economic opportunity and social connection.

Our vision for transport is all about allowing Queenslanders to live the life they want to live.

It's about ensuring that you can travel to the job you want.

It's about spending less time commuting, and more time with the ones you love, with more money left in your pocket.

We've made huge strides in making this vision a reality.

50 cent fares have seen public transport usage skyrocket, and delivered millions of dollars worth of savings to Queenslanders already.

And if we're fortunate enough to be re-elected, we will deliver 50 cent fares, forever.

But we know as well as being affordable, Queenslanders want a connected and reliable transport network.

That's why we're delivering an Independent Transport Authority.

An Independent Transport Authority will mean greater synchronisation of services, meaning less time waiting for public transport, and more time being with the ones you love.

We acknowledge that not everyone can use public transport for their travel needs.

That's why we will take on the big petrol companies to limit petrol price rises and put downward pressure on fuel costs through our publicly owned petrol stations.

But we know there is more to do.

We want to build the best and safest roads in Australia.

That's why we are delivering our Transport Big Build.

Almost \$40 billion is being invested to create a more connected Queensland.

From the Gold Coast, up through Logan, under the Brisbane River and the CBD and then up to the Sunshine Coast - that's almost 57 kilometres of new track connecting the spine of the South East corner.

Including Gold Coast Light Rail Stage 3, Logan and Gold Coast Faster Rail, and Cross River Rail.

As well as the Sunshine Coast Direct Rail to Caloundra and planning for future stages to get us all the way to Maroochydore.

### Royalty roads

Our vision for Queensland is world class road infrastructure, no matter where you live.

Regional Queenslanders deserve high quality road infrastructure, to help them stay safe and power our economy.

By taking back our fair share of multinational mining company super-profits we have been able to deliver the biggest investment in road infrastructure in Queensland's history.

And we've underwritten additional expenditure on Bowen Basin Roads thanks to our decision to take on the multinational mining companies.

All backed by the Queensland Train Manufacturing Program building 65 new six-car passenger trains in Maryborough.

The size and scale of the investment is incredible - and it's not by accident.

Our investments are bringing the Queensland rail network into the 21st century and improving efficiency.

Faster, easier, more comfortable journeys supported by high-capacity stations to move Queenslanders quickly.

### LNP Risk

The LNP will say anything it takes to win, but they'll put our transport plan in reverse.

The LNP referred to our 50 cent fares as a "con" and said they would end after the election.

When they were last in government, they cut \$1.6 billion from the transport budget. That meant public servants were sacked and road projects were canned.

The LNP already have a budget black hole worth billions of dollars that's growing by the day.

The only way they can fill it is through more cuts.

That means that jobs and infrastructure will be cruelly cut, just like they were under the Newman LNP Government.

## Cleaner, Cheaper Energy

Queenslanders rightfully expect that their government will do all they can to put downward pressure on costs.

Too often, we see poor behaviour from the big private electricity retailers.

There's no silver bullet, but Labor is committed to holding them to account.

That's why we are delivering real reform to our energy system – now.

A re-elected Miles Labor Government will do what matters for Queensland and deliver on a Cheaper Energy Plan for Queenslanders.

### **A New statewide publicly owned energy retailer**

We are taking decisive action to ensure Queensland households benefit from greater competition, greater choice and cheaper prices.

If elected, the Miles Labor Government will create a statewide publicly owned energy retailer.

The retailer will provide choice and new tariff structures not currently available to all Queensland households and more options to participate in solar and community battery pricing models.

In the South East, the retailer will go after the business of customers who are paying too much with private retailers, as well as the 140,713 residential customers and 23,106 small business customers on a default market offer.

Wholesale prices in Queensland are lower than the mainland average price in the national electricity market.

A statewide publicly owned retailer will give customers the tools to save money and will ensure the benefits from lower prices are passed onto Queensland households, not the coffers of foreign-owned retailers. The people's retailer will put people before profits.

### **Energy Price Guarantee to keep household power prices down**

The Miles Labor Government has already delivered the lowest household power bills in the nation with our \$1,000 electricity rebate this financial year.

If elected, a Miles Labor Government will deliver an Energy Price Guarantee that household bills will remain lower than the average national electricity market price.



The Energy Price Guarantee is supported by the commitment to establish a statewide publicly owned energy retailer which will offer the lowest household power prices on the east coast.

To combat potential coal price increases impacting the cost of electricity, the Miles Labor Government will use increased coal royalty revenue from those price increases to fund electricity rebates.

The Miles Labor Government can make this guarantee because Queenslanders own their energy assets and we're investing a record \$26 billion over the next four years in more clean energy generation, storage and transmission.

More investment in more publicly owned renewable energy:

- We are delivering on our plan to build the CopperString transmission line to open up an entirely new mining industry for the critical minerals the world needs for renewables. The largest economic development project under construction in Northern Australia.

- We are progressing the Borumba and Pioneer-Burdekin pumped hydro projects that are needed to move beyond coal power by storing renewable energy overnight. The Pioneer-Burdekin pumped hydro storage project will be the largest in the world and will make Queensland a global economic powerhouse. Turning our Sunshine into prosperity for future generations.

Without these projects to transform our economy Queensland will miss out on 145,000 more jobs and \$430 billion in economic opportunity.

- We are delivering new publicly owned wind farms including Lotus Creek, Wambo, Boulder Creek and Tarong West along with the largest rollout of batteries in the nation.

That's in addition to new projects in the pipeline including the Callide Solar Farm and Battery, the Wooderson Solar Farm and the third stage of the Supernode battery at Brendale.

All of these projects are now at risk under the LNP's plan to keep coal power stations open longer than they are designed to be.

### **LNP Risk**

We can reduce costs and emissions while increasing jobs and reliability.

We are on track to achieve this.

But that's all at risk from the LNP.

They voted against renewable energy targets.

They said they would cut our Energy and Jobs Plan because it was too expensive.

They support asset privatisation meaning they wouldn't be able to deliver rebates.

They don't support public ownership and are in the pocket of big business, they won't take on the energy retailers, baking in higher energy prices for Queenslanders.

The LNP only know how to cut and sell off our assets. They've done it before. They will do it again.





## Making Queenslanders Healthier

Queensland has one of the best health systems in the world.

Each and every day, our frontline health workers perform miracles – saving people’s lives, bringing new life into the world, and providing comfort and support to seriously ill Queenslanders.

There’s no doubt that our health system is facing pressure.

We have a population that is growing and ageing.

A decade of underinvestment from the former Federal Coalition Government in our GPs has meant it is harder than ever to book or afford a GP appointment.

But we should never shy away from the amazing progress that we have made.

In the face of record demand, we are seeing improvements across almost every measure.

We’re seeing more patients sooner and getting our hardworking ambos back on the road faster.

We have been able to help our health workers deliver these amazing achievements through our record investment in our health system.

We’ve employed more than 24,000 new frontline health workers.

And we’ve kept Australia’s busiest ambulance service absolutely free.

But we know healthcare in Queensland can get even better.

We have a vision for better healthcare, closer to home.

And we have a plan to deliver on that vision.

We know that demand for our free, world-class health services will continue to grow.

That’s why we are delivering on our Health Big Build.

We will deliver on our pipeline of over 3,500 extra hospital beds.

More than 100,000 Queenslanders have already used our nation-leading Satellite Hospitals.

We will make free healthcare, closer to home available to more Queenslanders by delivering seven more Satellite Hospitals.

Our vision for healthcare means newer, bigger hospitals.

It means treating more Queenslanders with more modernised care.

But you can’t build more hospital beds without delivering more frontline staff.

Our health heroes are the beating heart of our health system.



That’s why we will deliver a record 46,450 more health workers by 2032.

We are fast tracking an additional 15,875 health workers to be in our hospitals, treating patients within the next four years including:

- 8,555 more nurses
- 2,694 more health practitioners
- 2,626 more doctors; and
- 2,000 more ambulance officers

That’s in addition to support for the front-line including:

- 3,939 more administration staff; and
- 1,290 more operational support staff over the next four years.

That takes our total commitment under the Queensland Health Workforce Strategy 2032 to:

- 18,781 more nurses
- 6,576 more health practitioners
- 5,896 more doctors
- 2,385 more ambulance officers
- 8,973 more administration staff; and
- 2,932 more operational support staff
- 908 professional and technical staff.



Labor will always deliver bigger, better hospitals and more staff.

And we'll deliver more services, closer to home.

We know that getting in to see a GP is increasingly difficult for Queenslanders.

We are taking action.

If re-elected, Labor will deliver 50 bulk-billing GP clinics across Queensland.

We will attract more GPs to Queensland with Labor's \$40,000 GP incentive program.

Our GP clinics will deliver free primary healthcare to Queenslanders, keeping them out of hospital.

With our population growing, we need all of our amazing health workers delivering world class care.

That's why Labor has committed to allowing our amazing community pharmacists to deliver more care to Queenslanders.

We will enable pharmacists to prescribe medicines like the contraceptive pill and UTI medication without the need for a GP referral.

The Miles Labor Government has a proud record of delivering essential healthcare for Queensland women.

We've got the best midwife to patient ratios in the country.

Our Women's and Girls' Health Strategy delivers more than \$1 billion of investment to break down barriers to healthcare for women across our state, targeting conditions like endometriosis and providing publicly funded assisted reproductive technology.

And unlike others, Labor recognises women have a right to make their own choices about their reproductive healthcare.

That's why we decriminalised abortion and expanded access to MS2Step, allowing nurses and midwives to prescribe this important medication.

And it's why we will always fight to protect a woman's right to choose.

### **LNP Risk**

The LNP have billions in unfunded election commitments and say they are going to balance the budget.

The only way this can be delivered on is through cuts.

They've said they plan to "break the back" of health workers' pay and conditions, and have released a health plan that forecasts massive pay cuts for thousands of health staff.

Not only have they committed to cutting 1,200 beds, they've also committed to cutting more than 12,000 health workers like our administrative staff, anaesthetic technicians, biomedical technicians, cleaners, wardies and other non-clinical positions.

Without those staff, our hospitals will grind to a halt.

Cutting health is in the LNP's DNA. When last in government the LNP sacked 4,400 health workers, including 1,800 nurses and midwives.

Women's healthcare is also at risk.

David Crisafulli voted to keep abortion as a crime and has endorsed high profile anti-choice candidates.

The LNP cannot be trusted to protect a woman's right to choose.

## Keeping Queenslanders Safe

Every Queenslander deserves to be safe and feel safe.

That's why we've delivered our evidence based Community Safety Plan.

Our Community Safety Plan puts victims first, detains offenders, backs police and tackles the causes of crime.

Through our Community Safety Plan, we are delivering meaningful interventions like:

- 900 more police personnel – on top of the 2025 extra police personnel we will deliver by 2025.
- 3000 more metal detecting wands – to ensure Jack's Law works and ensure police can crackdown on knives.
- 1000 more tasers – to help police do their jobs.
- Two new helicopters – giving police an eye in the sky in Cairns and the Far North, and Sunshine Coast and Wide Bay in addition to the police helicopter we committed to before the plan in Townsville.
- Funding for seniors to secure their homes – expanding our successful program to help eligible seniors to install security measures in their homes.
- More support for victims – including more victim support services, increased financial assistance to victims of crime, and a permanent Victim's Commissioner.
- New funding for early intervention programs for young people – we are using an evidence-based approach – investing in intervention services like JT Academy, TRACTION and ESuarve to get kids back on the right track.
- Expansion of programs to keep young people in education – the evidence shows young people who stay in the education system are less likely to commit crimes, so we are supporting them to continue their schooling.

Our Community Safety Plan builds on a proven track record of supporting our police and tackling the causes of crime, including:

- Delivering thousands of new police to the frontline
- Increasing the community presence of police with new stations and upgraded stations
- Ensuring that we provide police with the equipment they need to do their jobs

- Deterring crime with laws targeting serious repeat offenders, knife crime, child sex offenders, hooning and bragging about crimes on social media
- Recognising the gendered nature of violence with \$1.9 billion for domestic, family and sexual violence reforms to support victims to escape violence and try to prevent family and sexual violence.

Our investment is beginning to deliver results. In the first six months to May this year, there has been a 14% reduction in young serious repeat offenders.

And in the first quarter of 2024, there has been a 10.7% drop in offences committed by young people.

A re-elected Miles Labor Government will work tirelessly to deliver the investment Queenslanders need to be safe and feel safe.



## A Big Build for a better future

Labor's vision for Queensland is one where every Queenslanders can get a job they are proud of.

Where Queenslanders can live, work and play in the community they love.

Where all Queensland communities have access to world class infrastructure.

That's what Labor will deliver through our Queensland Big Build.

Our Queensland Big Build is supporting 72,000 jobs a year across Queensland.

It delivers the economic infrastructure to unlock housing and grow the economy and the social infrastructure Queenslanders need to achieve their potential.

It supports our economy to grow at twice the rate of the rest of the nation and to grow Queensland's trade and export markets even further after we have taken our State's annual economic output to more than half a trillion and exports to more than \$100 billion.

By delivering our record Big Build infrastructure investment, we will ensure that Queensland is well secured to withstand global economic uncertainty and deliver a generation's worth of economic opportunity to Queenslanders right across our state.

We can deliver on our Big Build because we have a track record of responsible fiscal and debt management underpinned by a stable AA+ credit rating.

Our Big Build delivers the largest hospital building program in the nation to deliver more than 3,500 extra hospital beds including three new hospitals at Bundaberg, Coomera and Toowoomba and a new Queensland Cancer Centre as well as major expansions at 12 other hospitals.

We are delivering the biggest investment in social housing in history to deliver another 53,500 social homes and building the infrastructure to support another one million homes across Queensland.

Building on a record of delivering 27 new schools the Big Build invests another \$5 billion to improve State School infrastructure and increase classroom capacity across Queensland.

The Big Build delivers the most significant expansion of roads and rail ever including major upgrades to the Bruce Highway at Anzac Avenue, the Tiaro Bypass, the Rockhampton Ring Road and the Mackay Port Access Road. We are building the Coomera Connector, Cross River Rail to provide new underground train stations, the third Stage of Gold Coast Light Rail, Logan and Gold Coast Faster Rail and Direct Sunshine Coast Rail.

The Big Build provides a historic investment in publicly owned renewable energy to support the delivery of the Lotus Creek, Tarong West, Wambo



and Boulder Creek wind farms, the Borumba and Pioneer-Burdekin Pumped Hydro energy projects and the largest rollout of grid and network batteries in the country.

The Big Build supports the infrastructure our agricultural sector needs to grow including raising Burdekin Falls Dam and a new Paradise Dam building on our track record delivering the Rookwood Weir, the first weir built in Australia since the second world war.

If re-elected we will expand our Big Build with:

- The \$1.6 billion Redland Hospital Stage 2 expansion to deliver another 181 beds
- Another \$1.2 billion to complete CopperString 2032
- \$700 million for a new Bribie Island bridge
- The \$450 million Barron River bridge
- \$157.5 million to upgrade Resource Roads
- The Ipswich Central Second River Crossing
- The Weinam Creek Park n Ride
- Seven new regional satellite hospitals in Mackay, Beenleigh, Fraser Coast, Rockhampton, Yarrabilba, Sunshine Coast and Cairns.
- The Mareeba Hospital project.
- The Cairns Airport Eastern Aviation Precinct common user hangar; and
- Major upgrades to schools including Mount Cotton State School, Craigslea State School, Caloundra State High, the Gap State High School Library and Nambour State College.

Thanks to our investments to build Queensland we now have an unemployment rate of just above 4 per cent compared with 6.6 per cent under the LNP.

Unemployment is lower across regional Queensland because we invest in backing our regional economies not cutting.

## LNP RISK

Queenslanders can't trust the LNP to deliver the investment in jobs and infrastructure that Queensland needs.

They've already identified more than \$10 billion worth of projects on their infrastructure hitlist.

They've described investment in infrastructure in Queensland as 'waste'. That's what they did before they cut investment in infrastructure by 30 per cent.

If that cut is repeated that will mean over 21,000 job losses a year across the Queensland economy sending Queensland's economy backwards just when investment is needed the most to protect Queensland jobs.

When the LNP were last in government, investment in infrastructure plummeted, the economy flatlined and unemployment skyrocketed.

The LNP drove the state-wide unemployment rate above 6.5% and the Cairns youth unemployment rate to the highest in the nation at over 22 per cent.

With more than \$17 billion of unfunded promises, we know that the LNP will cut jobs and projects once again.

## Enhancing Queenslanders' Lifestyle

Queensland is growing and changing.

But in order to remain the envy of the world, we need to manage growth and change in a way that protects the way of life that Queenslanders know and love.

A Miles Labor Government will back Queensland's most popular and iconic pastimes – boating, camping and fishing with an investment of more than \$100 million in our Better Boating Camping and Fishing plan.

The Better Boating Camping and Fishing plan will make it cheaper and easier for families to cast a line and reel in a fish on the end of it.

The Better Boating Camping and Fishing plan includes:

- Building new, accessible boat ramps and car parks to make it easier to get out on the water
- Creating a free annual pass to fish in dams, with more stocked dams, more fish stock and better recreational facilities for campers and anglers alike
- Net Free Zone Fund to establish new net free fishing zones in Moreton Bay after community consultation, to make more fish available for recreational fishers while protecting dugongs, turtles and dolphins

The combination of net free fishing zones in Moreton Bay to be implemented after community consultation, alongside the recently announced net free zone in the Mary River and removal of gillnets from the Great Barrier Reef by 2027, will give recreational fishers access to a better supply of fish.

A core part of the Queensland lifestyle is our beautiful environment.

We delivered increased protections against tree clearing, protecting our environment and reducing emissions.

We have now delivered 15 million hectares of protected areas and identified 54,000 hectares of land to be protected under new Natural Capital Reserve tenure to support the establishment of a Greater Glider Forest Park under protected area estate.

We know there is more to do.

That's why the Miles Labor Government is delivering an additional \$140 million to triple the size of our Queensland Nature Fund.

The fund will support farmers, reduce emissions, protect endangered species and create sustainable jobs across our state.



We are investing \$80 million to support infrastructure projects that grow regional tourism visitation to develop new experiences and products.

If re-elected, we will deliver another \$10 million to support Tourism Tropical North Queensland to expand overseas and domestic tourism into the Far North as a new tourism gateway into Queensland and increase the awareness of our iconic Great Barrier Reef.

Only Labor will do what matters to preserve our environment and lifestyle now and for future generations.

### LNP RISK

The LNP only seek to take Queensland backwards.

The LNP were the masterminds of some of the largest rollbacks of environmental protections in Queensland's history.

They oppose our renewable energy target, meaning higher emissions and worse environmental outcomes.

When last in government, they cut 26 per cent of frontline biosecurity staff and 28 per cent of Queensland Boating and Fishing Patrol and Fisheries Queensland staff.

They voted against net free fishing zones in Cairns, Mackay and Rockhampton.

The LNP try to talk a good game, but they'd trash our environment and ruin the Queensland way of life.

## Giving Queensland Kids the Best Start

Labor's vision for Queensland is one where every child has the chance to succeed.

Every child deserves dignity. The type of dignity that comes when a child lives in a home where they are safe, loved, and given the chance to experience the joy of life.

That's why Labor delivered the Putting Queensland Kids First strategy.

It's an evidence based plan, backed with more than \$500 million of investment to ensure that all Queensland kids have the opportunity to live happy and fulfilling lives.

Putting Queensland Kids First delivers investments like:

- Increased pregnancy screenings and antenatal support
- More Early Childhood Coordinators in child, family and community services
- Enhanced child development checks
- Improved hearing screening and diagnostic services
- More behaviour specialists at primary schools

With global cost of living pressures increasing, Labor knows how important it is to ensure we take pressure off families, to help Queensland kids.

That's why we made Kindy free for four-year old Queensland kids.

With an average saving of \$4,000, Queensland families can take pressure off their budgets while helping their kids get the best start through early childhood education.

Labor is committed to delivering a world class education for Queensland kids.

We have built and opened 27 new state schools and 90 new school halls and performing arts centres.

And we're backing this investment in our facilities with resources to the frontline.

We have hired 6,200 new teachers and more than 2,500 new teacher-aides.

We air conditioned every single classroom, staff room and library in Queensland State Schools, making sure students and staff have great places to work and learn.

We're helping teachers help Queensland kids through our \$288 million investment to support at risk students, along with 58 new Flexispaces and six additional Queensland Pathways College campuses.

We've also hired wellbeing professionals to support students' mental health and delivered GPs to 50 state secondary schools and are expanding the program to primary schools with the greatest need.



### LNP RISK

When last in government the LNP closed 8 schools and planned to close another 3. They sold land from state schools to private investors. The LNP's original school hit listed included 55 schools.

The LNP changed the staffing model to reduce the number of teachers and cut support staff.

We cannot trust the LNP to invest in education.

They have billions in unfunded promises and say they are going to balance the budget.

The only way they can do that is with more cuts.



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