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ADJOURNMENT

Pacific View Estate

Ms BATES (Mudgeeraba—LNP) (9.54 pm): I rise to inform the House of yet another way the LNP has secured more jobs and opportunities for my electorate of Mudgeeraba. Earlier this year the Pacific View Estate development in Worongary was given a green light by the state government. This development will create more than 2,700 jobs during construction—builders, carpenters, electricians, landscapers and all of their apprentices—and has the potential to contribute \$3.2 billion to our state's economy. It will also provide approximately 3,500 new homes for families in my electorate and enhance our lifestyle by building more open spaces, parks and facilities, a village centre, restaurants, retail and office space. Plans have been put in place to address traffic concerns by upgrading existing transport options and establishing new ones such as bus routes, cycle lanes and railway connections which will ensure residents are well connected to the city and surrounding estates.

For nine long years this shovel-ready project lay dormant as successive council administrations and state governments sat on their hands and refused to deliver jobs for residents of my electorate. Finally in 2014 it was the LNP which gave this project the green light it needed to proceed, with the then deputy premier, Jeff Seeney, the member for Callide, having used his ministerial call-in powers to assume responsibility for reviewing and approving this project. In making this decision we consulted with representatives from major shopping centres in surrounding suburbs, and I personally knocked on the doors of local residents whose homes were near the proposed development to hear their views. The response I received was one of overwhelming enthusiasm for new jobs and opportunities in our local area.

Whilst the new Deputy Premier, in typical Labor style, has tried to rewrite history, it was the LNP who put the wheels in motion for this approval. This was a project fought for by the LNP, delivered by the LNP and announced by the ALP. It was the LNP who gave the green light to this shovel-ready development after nine long years in the wilderness. It was the LNP who will deliver 2,700 new jobs and 3,500 new homes for my electorate of Mudgeeraba.

Of course this Labor government will neglect to tell the House how their own Labor candidate for Mudgeeraba rallied against this project during the election and made it her mission to stop these local jobs being created. They will not mention how their Labor candidate publicly called the LNP's proposed call-in 'disturbing' or that she tried to ignite hysteria by making absurd claims that the LNP would suddenly drop 10,000 people into the Pacific View Estate overnight. They will not mention how their Labor candidate's one clear promise to the residents of my electorate was to stop developments of this nature going ahead and to cost our local area 2,700 new jobs.

The residents of my electorate are excited about what the future holds, and I am proud that this was yet another project fought for and delivered by the LNP for residents of my electorate.