



Speech By  
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**MEMBER FOR KAWANA**

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 **Mr BLEIJIE** (Kawana—LNP) (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) (2.15 pm): I wish the Labor government had a plan to fix the health crisis. I wish the Labor government had a plan to fix the youth crime crisis. I wish the Labor government had a plan to fix the housing crisis. They do not. Let us not be lectured to about embarrassment when this is the Treasurer who only a short time ago said CommSec was inherently flawed. What a turnaround. Did they change their methodology? What happened from—no, stay. I dare you to stay, please.

**Mr DICK:** Madam Deputy Speaker, I rise to a point—

**Mr BLEIJIE:** Oh, a glass jaw.

**Mr DICK:** Madam Deputy Speaker, I rise to a point of order. It is grossly unparliamentary to comment on the movements of members in this House, including those members leaving the chamber. I have two points. The first is a point of order on procedure and gross parliamentary misconduct. Secondly, I take personal offence at the words used by the member for Kawana directed at me and I ask him to withdraw.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER** (Ms Lui): Member for Kawana, the member for Woodridge has taken personal offence. Do you withdraw?

**Mr BLEIJIE:** I withdraw. Let us not be lectured to about the CommSec report from the one man who said it was inherently flawed. If we want the definition of an embarrassing Treasurer, that is it right there. That is the new definition of embarrassing. Let me talk about another embarrassment.

**Mr Nicholls** interjected.

**Mr BLEIJIE:** He can't run from Greenslopes. I take the interjection. Talking about embarrassing, let us talk about the Minister for Transport, Mark Bailey, who in some parallel universe tried to make out that the federal members for Dickson and Petrie got out the crayons and themselves worked out how to resume these houses in Griffin. For goodness sake—

**Mr BAILEY:** Madam Deputy Speaker, I rise to a point of order. I find those remarks personally offensive and I ask they be withdrawn. They are inaccurate.

**Mr BLEIJIE:** Madam Deputy Speaker, on the point of order—

**Mr Harper** interjected.

**Mr BLEIJIE:** I am addressing his point of order under the standing orders. The minister this morning directly quoted the members for Dickson and Petrie as having designed the plans I just referenced. I referenced what he quoted this morning.

**Mr BAILEY:** To the point of order: at no stage did I mention the word 'crayons' or any of the words mentioned by the member. I find that his words were not only inaccurate but personally offensive to me and I ask that they be withdrawn.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** Member for Kawana, the member for Miller has found your comments personally offensive. Do you withdraw?

**Mr BLEIJIE:** I withdraw. He is the minister responsible for Transport and Main Roads, which does the development, designing and drawing of the plans that will resume these homes. He is the minister responsible. The federal government provided 80 per cent funding in 2018. There has been no action from this minister for three years. This minister stood up in front of the media the other day—

**Mr BAILEY:** Madam Deputy Speaker, I rise to a point of order. Again, the member is being inaccurate. I find his comments personally offensive and I ask that they be withdrawn.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** I will seek advice. Member for Kawana, the member for Miller has found your comments personally offensive. Do you withdraw?

**Mr BLEIJIE:** I withdraw. We have a situation here that when the Premier was at a housing summit talking about the housing crisis in Queensland, the Transport and Main Roads were busy issuing notices resuming people's homes.

**Mr BAILEY:** Madam Deputy Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

**Mr BLEIJIE:** This is ridiculous!

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** I will hear the point of order in silence.

**Mr BAILEY:** Again, the member for Kawana's comments are inaccurate. I find them personally offensive and I ask that they be withdrawn.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** Member for Miller, the member for Kawana made comments directed to the department.

**Mr BAILEY:** To the point of order, the member for Kawana said that these houses would be resumed. That is inaccurate. They have been given—

**Opposition members** interjected.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** Order!

**Mr BAILEY:** That is inaccurate. They have been given—

**Opposition members** interjected.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** Members to my left, order!

**Mr BAILEY:** Can I just finish my point of order?

**Opposition members** interjected.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** Members to my left!

**Mr BAILEY:** The department has been given notice that there is—

**Opposition members** interjected.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** I will be giving warnings.

**Mr BAILEY:** The department has given notice that there is potential—

**Mr POWELL:** Madam Deputy Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** I will hear the member for Miller.

**Mr BAILEY:**—for people's houses to be resumed. They have not been given notice that all the houses will be resumed. They have been given notice that there—

**Mr POWELL:** Madam Deputy Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

**Opposition members** interjected.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** Members to my left, order!

**Mr BAILEY:** I simply ask that my point of order be heard in silence.

**Opposition members** interjected.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** I will seek advice. Member for Miller, there is no point of order. If there are any issues with the process, you can write to the Speaker.

**Mr POWELL:** Madam Deputy Speaker, I rise to a point of order. It is very clear that the member for Miller is deliberately trying to upset the thread of the member for Kawana's speech by these frivolous points of order. The last two you have ruled out of order. If there is an issue around misleading the House, the member well knows that there is a process, as you have just said, where you write to the Speaker. I ask that you rule that the member for Miller no longer interjects.

**Mrs D'ATH:** Madam Deputy Speaker, I rise to a point of order. The Manager of Opposition Business has just asked the Deputy Speaker to interfere with the rights of a member of this chamber to stop them from speaking again.

**Opposition members** interjected.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** Order! Members to my left, order!

**Mrs D'ATH:** Every member has the right to stand and raise points of order and the Manager of Opposition Business, in what he just put to the Speaker, is seeking to interfere with the work of a member of parliament which is against standing orders.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** I will seek advice in silence. I have made my ruling.

**Mr BLEIJIE:** If I was the Labor government, I would be embarrassed and ashamed at what they have done as well. I would absolutely be embarrassed and ashamed that they think they could get away with 25 families losing their brand new homes, trying to live the Australian dream. They have just moved in! We heard a story where one family moved in on the Monday and that evening—that evening—after moving into their house, they got a notice that there was a potential resumption of their house. Some of these houses are not even built. As they made the point, when the government lectured Queenslanders about the housing crisis, at the same time people were being notified that they could potentially lose their homes, the homes they have saved for. This Minister for Transport is blaming the former federal government. The federal government simply give the money to the state. The state does the planning. The state draws the maps. The state does it. The minister said it himself—

**Mr Bailey** interjected.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** Member for Miller, you are now warned.

**Mr BLEIJIE:** The Minister for Transport confirmed in question time this morning that he signed off on the notices being issued to these residents. He knew about it. The Deputy Premier, who is the local member for the area, was asked when he knew about it. He refused to answer which shows, and we know, that they knew about this for a long time and they refused to let people do it. The Minister for Transport blamed the council. He got the council wrong: he was talking about Brisbane City Council; it is the Moreton council—

**Mr BAILEY:** Madam Deputy Speaker, I rise to a point of order. The comments from the member are inaccurate. I find them personally offensive and I ask they be withdrawn. Every time you lie, I will pick you up on it.

**Mrs GERBER:** Madam Deputy Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

**Mr BAILEY:** I withdraw.

**Opposition members** interjected.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** Members to my left, order! Member for Kawana, the member has taken offence to your comments. Do you withdraw?

**Mr BLEIJIE:** I withdraw. He called me a liar. I ask that to be withdrawn because I am personally offended. Madam Deputy Speaker, that language is unparliamentary. The minister is under a warning and I ask that you take action and he be removed from the chamber.

**Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER:** Minister, I ask you to withdraw.

**Mr BAILEY:** I withdraw.

**Mr BLEIJIE:** We have a situation here where the government are trying to rewrite history because they are ashamed of what has happened in the area of Griffin. The Deputy Premier should be ashamed of what has happened in his local patch. The facts are that the deputy mayor of the area has put out a statement and said that Minister Bailey has misled her community and she has asked for an apology from Minister Bailey. That is from the deputy mayor. The deputy mayor, Councillor Shipway, also stated that these plans went to the state government for approval and nothing was notified to the council that the state had any intention to resume any of these parcels of land. This is at the feet of the Minister for Transport and Main Roads. I would say to the Minister for Transport and Main Roads that he front up to the families who are going to lose their homes because of you.