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 **Mr KELLY** (Greenslopes—ALP) (12.58 pm): Do members know who I hold responsible for one of the major causes of this skills shortage crisis? That is what the LNP would call it. They love to call everything a crisis. The only crisis they missed was the global pandemic. They did not get that crisis. Do members know who I hold responsible for the major causes of the skills shortage? I hold the Premier, the Deputy Premier, the Treasurer, every minister on this side of the House and every single member on this side of the House responsible because collectively we have driven unemployment down to 3.8 per cent. That is one of the major contributing factors to this skills crisis.

How have we done that? We have done that by investing in infrastructure. In my electorate, it is investing in things like schools, sporting facilities, new housing, safe cycling paths and Cross River Rail. We have backed small businesses. We have re-established the Skilling Queenslanders for Work program. We have employed more teachers, teacher aides, nurses, cops and child safety workers and developed new industries.

Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER (Ms Bush): The time for debate has expired.