

## TAYLOR: COALITION COMMITS TO TAKE PRESSURE OFF GOULBURN HOUSEHOLDS

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Angus Taylor, the Liberal candidate for Hume said that the coalition will help Goulburn families, households, retirees and pensioners get ahead and plan their futures with confidence by scrapping the carbon tax, as well as ensuring that tax cuts and fortnightly pension and benefit increases are kept.

Mr Taylor said that yesterday's announcement by Tony Abbott that the coalition will keep income tax cuts and fortnightly pension and benefit increases without a carbon tax is good news for families:

"We can keep tax cuts and pension and benefit increases without a carbon tax, because we will make responsible savings and have a strong plan for managing our nation's budget.

"We will ensure this promise is fully paid for so we don't add pressures to Labor's debt and deficits. At the same time we will help families, pensioners and small businesses by removing the cost of the carbon tax from power bills and rising prices.

"We'll also ensure households get the full benefit of the abolition of the carbon tax by requiring the ACCC to make sure companies do the right thing."

Mr Taylor said that since the election of the Rudd/Gillard Government average electricity prices had risen by 94% and gas prices by 62%. He said:

"When I talk to people at shows, markets, at sporting field and community events they are hurting."

Mr Taylor said removing the carbon tax will help household budgets and improve the competitive position of Australian businesses:

"We cannot undo all of the damage of this government's poor economic management overnight but we can and will do it, because we've done it before.

"Everything we do is about building a stronger economy. A stronger economy is the key to almost everything we wish for as a nation: it means more jobs, higher wages, greater government revenue, better services and, ultimately, stronger and more cohesive communities."

Mr Taylor said the coming election will provide voters in Hume with a stark choice:

"We can have three more years of broken promises, grand but undelivered schemes and weak excuses from Labor. Or, we can have coalition team with the experience and level-headedness to take us forward to a better future with a strong economy.

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