

A FEDERAL ELECTION IS ON THE WAY - IT'S TIME FOR CHANGE IN FRANKLIN

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## TIME FOR AN INDEPENDENT VOICE TO REPRESENT OUR COMMUNITY AND FIGHT FOR FRANKLIN

THE TWO PARTY SYSTEM HAS DELIVERED A COST OF LIVING CRISIS,  
A HOUSING CRISIS AND AN ENVIRONMENTAL MESS.

### WHO I AM

I'm a former foreign correspondent and Four Corners reporter who started his ABC career in Hobart and reported politics in Canberra.

I settled in the glorious Huon Valley 14 years ago.

I've loved working with the local community on civic projects and events that make lives better and more fulfilling.

### WHY I'M STANDING?

Like many Tasmanians, I am sick of seeing our beautiful island, our people, and our way of life being sold off to big business by Labor and Liberal politicians.

When real problems demand real action, these politicians do nothing.

### FIGHTING FOR OUR WATERWAYS

I've been fighting with community against destructive salmon farming practices for a decade.

I'm appalled that local Labor MP and Minister for Fisheries, Julie Collins has shown unwavering support for multinational salmon farming corporations that are destroying the waterways we love.

Now Julie Collins is endorsing new salmon farms in North Storm Bay that threaten to devastate more waterways and beaches—from Opossum Bay to Lewisham and all the way to the Tasman Peninsula.

### FRANKLIN DESERVES BETTER.

As Minister for Housing, Julie Collins presided over the housing crisis that continues to affect so many Tasmanians. As Minister for Forestry she supports destroying more native forests.

**After 17 years of Labor in Franklin, it's time for a change to someone chosen by the grassroots not Canberra's political machine.**

Together we'll challenge the status quo, hold government accountable, and build a better Tasmania.

Together we'll show we do have a voice.

We'll show our way of life and our problems matter.

**Your vote, my voice, together we can make a difference.**

### MY PLEDGES:

- ✓ LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE OF FRANKLIN
- ✓ SPEAK FOR THE PEOPLE OF FRANKLIN
- ✓ FIGHT FOR OUR COMMUNITY
- ✓ REPORT BACK TO THE ELECTORATE
- ✓ NO SECRET DEALS
- ✓ DECLARE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST
- ✓ OPENNESS AND HONESTY
- ✓ WORK WITH ALL SIDES OF PARLIAMENT

**I'm standing as an Independent candidate for Franklin—to give Tasmanians a chance to send a message to Albanese and Dutton. To say our votes cannot be taken for granted anymore.**

# Where I stand.



## ENVIRONMENT

### I will fight for:

A genuinely independent Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) with real teeth.  
An enforceable national strategy to protect flora and fauna, natural assets and places of national significance



## HEALTH

### I will fight for:

National dental care assistance through Medicare  
Reducing waiting times in hospital emergency departments  
24-hour emergency clinics in Clarence, Kingborough and Huon Valley



## CLIMATE ACTION

Greater Hobart is Australia's most vulnerable city to catastrophic fire like the disaster in Los Angeles.

### I'll fight for:

Urgent Commonwealth/State action to prevent such a catastrophe in our city  
A National Climate Action Fund to build resilience against the climate crisis  
No one denied insurance for losses from natural disaster  
Halting coal mine expansion  
Phase out coal and gas exports  
No nuclear power stations here or on the mainland  
**Our children and our grandchildren who deserve better**



## WATERWAYS

### I'll fight to:

Get the destructive salmon industry out of Franklin's waterways  
Stop salmon industry expansion plans for 50 huge pens in the north of Storm Bay.  
Protect the critically endangered Red Handfish and the Maugean skate  
Assist communities and workers in the transition out of coastal waters  
Work together in Franklin to defend globally significant waterways for our pleasure, sustainable fisheries and posterity



## GOVERNMENT

### I'll work to:

Collaborate with Independents in Federal Parliament to fight for our communities' needs, lifestyles and liveable future  
Take the decisions away from party machines and put them back where they belong - with us  
Demonstrate more Independents means more democracy



## SOCIAL INCLUSION

### Action on:

Social inclusion for people with disabilities, for the aged and for the isolated  
More equitable access to Centrelink support and the National Disability Insurance Scheme  
Better deal and care for the aged



## HONESTY AND OPENNESS

### My guarantee:

I won't promise one thing and deliver another  
I won't be bullied by political parties  
I will not take incentives from big business



## EDUCATION

### I'll work for:

More investment in state schools  
A better educated workforce fit for the future  
A level playing field for public and private education  
Free university education for first degrees



## FIRST NATIONS

### I'll Work for:

A national treaty meeting needs and aspirations of First Nations people  
True reconciliation with the Palawa people of lutruwita/Tasmania  
More First Nations participation in policy making  
Reduced incarceration rates



## LIVING COSTS

### I will work for:

Legislation against price gouging, unfair pricing, enforceable codes of conduct  
Increased competition to lower prices  
Reduced energy prices



## HOUSING

### I'll work to:

Reduce, then eliminate negative gearing.  
Restrict short-term rentals to provide more long-term accommodation.  
Public/private participation providing inner city and suburban housing for diverse means



## GAMBLING

### I'll press for:

Tighter restrictions to advertising - on-line, sporting events & ads attractive to children & adolescents  
Mandatory pre-commitments & other reforms to tackle addiction



## FORESTRY

### I will fight to:

End native forest logging  
Support impacted communities and workers transition to sustainable industry  
Support transition within forestry to sustainable plantation timber



## JOBS

### I will fight for:

Sustainable, meaningful jobs in Tasmania  
Attracting sustainable industry to a 100% renewable energy state with clean, green credentials  
Lifting education outcomes to achieve that goal

## Why vote Independent?

- ✓ Independents put their community first
- ✓ Independents aren't driven by party politics
- ✓ Independents vote with conscience not on party lines
- ✓ They work across parties to achieve better outcomes
- ✓ What you see is what you get: no hidden agendas
- ✓ Independents come from grassroots, not political machines
- ✓ Independents listen to you not party bosses

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