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Party Unit Report - November 2025

Dear Party Member,

Parliament has wrapped up for the year, and we fought hard against Labor's rushed EPBC reforms, which hands sweeping powers to an unaccountable EPA, creates delays, and will drive up energy and building costs. The Coalition will keep pushing for a system that protects the environment while supporting jobs and growth.

Closer to home this month, Ipswich scored a major win. After years of odour issues and Labor's inaction, the Crisafulli LNP Government launched a public health inquiry. All eight recommendations are now implemented which is delivering relief for thousands of residents.

We've also set a clear energy plan: affordability first, backing all technologies that lower prices and keep the lights on. Thank you for your support, I'll be back in Canberra next week for Budget Estimates, continuing to hold the Albanese Labor Government to account.

Coalition Fights Labor's Flawed EPBC Deal

We fought hard against Labor's rushed deal with the Greens to force through flawed EPBC reforms. This plan hands sweeping powers to an unaccountable EPA, creating delays that will drive up energy and building costs, hurt jobs, and deter investment. Energy producers warn these changes will stall projects and make housing less affordable. We put forward constructive amendments for better environmental outcomes, but Labor chose politics over productivity. The Coalition will keep fighting for a system that protects the environment while supporting jobs,



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Coalition's Vision for Balanced Immigration

I'm working closely with Shadow Home Affairs Minister Johnno Duniam to deliver a balanced immigration policy that serves Australia's national interest. Since taking on this portfolio, I've been struck by Labor's failure to plan for the medium and long term. Net overseas migration remains 100,000 above pre-COVID averages, adding pressure on housing, infrastructure, and essential services. Meanwhile, Labor has no answers for the sharp decline in housing construction caused by red tape, rising costs, skill shortages, and supply chain issues. Australians deserve better. Immigration is part of our national story, but it must be managed responsibly—and that's exactly what our policy will deliver.



Ipswich Wins After Years of Odour Misery

Ipswich residents have endured unbearable odours from local waste facilities, affecting health, wellbeing, and quality of life. Families raised concerns, but Labor refused to act, abandoning the community and ignoring repeated calls for change. That neglect ended when the Crisafulli LNP Government stepped in and delivered what Labor wouldn't — a full public health inquiry. Its findings were damning: these odours were harming thousands of people across Ipswich. Acting swiftly, the LNP implemented all eight recommendations from the inquiry, delivering real solutions and restoring confidence for residents. This is a huge win for Ipswich and clear proof that strong leadership and decisive action deliver results where Labor failed.



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Net Zero Decision

Australians need affordable, reliable energy and a realistic path to Net Zero. Right now, power bills are soaring and families are paying the price. Labor's approach is driving costs higher and putting reliability at risk. It's time for change. The Coalition's plan puts affordability first, supports proven technologies, and keeps the lights on. That means more reliable generation, boosting gas supply, lifting the ban on zero-emissions.



Australians deserve lower bills, secure supply, and a practical path to Net Zero. Our plan delivers real solutions, not empty promises.

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Our Plan for Affordable Energy and Lower Emissions

Australians deserve affordable, reliable energy, and a practical path to Net Zero. Right now, families and small businesses are being smashed by soaring power bills. We need a circuitbreaker. Our Coalition plan puts affordability first while backing every technology that lowers prices and keeps the lights on. That means supporting reliable generation, boosting gas supply, lifting the ban on zero-emissions nuclear technology, and ensuring the energy market focuses on price, quality, and reliability, not unrealistic targets.



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Mortgage Relief Vanishes - Inflation Smashes Targets

Inflation has surged back to 3.8%, above market expectations and well outside the RBA's target band. With just 29 days until Christmas, this is devastating news for mortgage holders who can now forget any hope of rate relief. Labor's reckless spending is running at four times the rate of the economy and at its highest level outside a recession in nearly 40 years. It's keeping inflation higher for longer. Australians are paying \$50,000 every minute in interest on Labor's trillion-dollar debt while household costs have exploded: food up 15%, health up 15%, housing up 19%, insurance up 37%, and electricity up nearly 40%. Mortgage holders are paying \$1,800 more a month since Labor came to power, with 12 rate rises and only 3 cuts.

