

Coalition demands Roberts Resign

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In other political developments Save Hunters Hill Municipality Coalition spokesman Phil Jenkyn OAM has demanded that Lane Cove MP Anthony Roberts resigns from State Cabinet and said his group would be campaigning at the Federal election to “Put the Liberals Last”.



Local Lane Cove MP Anthony Roberts



Save Hunters Hill Coalition Phil Jenkyn OAM

“This is Baird throwing a massive bomb in Malcolm Turnbull’s campaign,” he said.

“It shows Baird in his true colours which is all about gutting councils to get his way with big property developers.”

The Coalition is also seeking funding for a Group Action and may ask residents to contribute five dollars per household to a fighting fund.

Mr Roberts responded to Mr Jenkyn’s demand and told The Weekly Times he has served the community for more than half his life and nothing will change his commitment.

“Anyone who thinks the Hunters Hill community is so shallow that that it is defined by who picks up the garbage and who repairs the pot holes doesn’t understand the community,” he said.

Mr Roberts also stressed his commitment to heritage, which includes his on-going advocacy for historic Gladesville hospital.

In late news, Mayor Quinn confirmed he has been approached by the community to run for the Seat of Lane Cove and has not ruled out this option at this stage.

“Richard Quinn would make a wonderful candidate because he is a person with integrity,” Mr Jenkyn said.

“He would have the overwhelming support of our community.”

New South Wales Opposition Leader Luke Foley told The Weekly Times a Labor Government will scrap Baird’s laws and restore local democracy.

“Elected mayors and councillors have been sacked by the stroke of a pen and replaced by unelected dictators,” Mr Foley said.

“This is the savaging of local democracy by Mike Baird with boundaries drawn up for the Liberal Party’s electoral interest in the greatest act of boundary rigging since Joh Bjelke-Petersen’s notorious gerrymandering in the 1970s.

“The next Labor Government in New South Wales will allow local communities to determine their own futures.”