

Spare us the platitudes & just listen

Now that the tide has receded from the One Nation whitewash of Secret Harbour, we can now expect the scripted platitudes from our WA Labor Government to be rolled out.

They will no doubt include some of our favourites such as "we know people are doing it tough", "we know we need to do better" and "we hear what the voters are conveying".

In the back rooms and corridors, the highly paid Labor advisers will be sharing a high degree of nervousness now that the outer suburbs of Perth have joined Farrer in NSW with a landslide verdict on the current state of government.

What this clearly indicates is that One Nation and Pauline Hanson is on the hunt, and, in her own words, coming after Anthony Albanese.

The short-term collateral damage is the pride of Roger Cook and his WA Labor Party, who ran a campaign that was run by a consortium completely out of touch with what the community expects.

The gagging of their own candidate for several days and the condescending way they justified the process, was the death knell of the campaign.

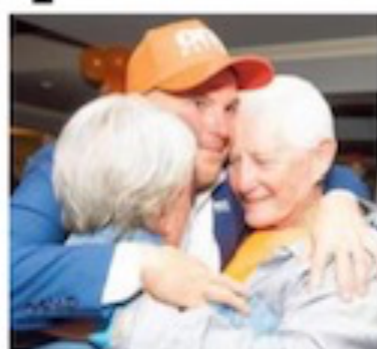
It is now clear that people are waking up to the false platitudes, where everyone keeps getting told that things are better when they aren't.

People have had enough, and someone was going to pay.

The combination of complacency and complete lack of hubris from WA Labor, combined with the inability of the PM to even turn up when only 10 minutes away during the campaign was the final nail in the coffin. Ironically, the opposite was theatrically conducted by Hanson and One Nation last week.

Aspiring WA premiers Rita Saffioti and Amber-Jade Sanderson would be now preparing the groundwork with their advisers, for the transition away from Roger Cook who now appears to be thinking more about West Perth apartment retirement than leadership.

What was clearly displayed



Luke Herdegan celebrates.

by One Nation and their candidate, Luke Herdegan, is that authenticity and transparency is far more valued by West Australians than the size of your chequebook and your ego.
Andrew Wynne, Yallingup

And the lies continue

Georgia Tree, having lost the by-election, continued with the lies that encourage people to not vote for Labor.

When talking about the new Mandurah hospital and the Medicare system, she says: "They want to bring Trump here, we don't want that."

"We love our health system, we love our life here, we want to protect that." This is just repeating the same old garbage and lies that Labor trot out at every election about their opponents — first the Coalition and now One Nation — wanting to dismantle Medicare and the health system.

It's really getting tiresome. All One Nation has proposed are rules to prevent fraud and tighten eligibility for new immigrants.

And for Roger Cook to say he will now listen to voters? Absolute gold.

A bit too late for that with his vanity projects continuing.
Wayne Perry, Innaloo

Message has been sent

The results in the Secret Harbour by-election sends a clear message to Labor Premier Roger Cook, WA Treasurer Rita Saffioti and their cohorts that the WA public will no longer accept the wasting of taxpayer dollars on unwanted projects.

They have been put on notice — continue on with their

wanton spending and they will experience a tsunami of people voting you out of office at the next election.

The people have had enough and have found their voice.
Brian Plester, Como

Now will you respond?

Roger Cook is now vowing to listen to the people after losing Secret Harbour.

If this is true, I ask him, will you please listen to my son and other people who have a disability who currently enjoy Sailability at Matilda Bay?

My son has Leber's hereditary optic neuropathy, a mitochondrial disease causing severe blindness with no cure.

Sailability has asked the Cook Government numerous times for the ferry to be moved just one kilometre closer to JoJo's so their activities for the disabled could continue. The Cook Government has ignored all their requests.

Many others use Matilda Bay for enjoyment, relaxation and exercise of different types. They have also protested on behalf of Perth families, but have also been ignored.

Will the Cook Government now listen and halt ferry works at Matilda Bay? A Karnup train station was promised 13 years ago by the Labor Government.

Eileen Whitely, Mt Lawley

What did they expect?

Was it really a surprise that WA Labor lost the Secret Harbour by-election?

When the Government builds an unwanted racetrack, pours money into a rugby team as a vanity project, repeatedly breaks its promise to build Karnup station before re-announcing it only when votes are needed, backflips on the solar home battery rebate, and fails to address the housing crisis, what does it expect?

John Warren, Morley

Came back to bite them

It is obvious that the Labor attack dogs who plumped for a candidate that didn't live in the electorate, and wasn't allowed to speak, were all barking up the wrong tree.

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