## Fix rather than replace

Monday's letters made a revealing contrast.

Sas Saddick acknowledged that poverty has complex causes, then proposed measures.

A. Morovich declared that one in six West Australians living in poverty is "solely" Labor's doing and implied One Nation just simply couldn't do worse.

This WA Labor government has done astoundingly good things, including its handling of the pandemic and the State economy through it, and major transport improvements.

It has also made some dumb decisions, such as raceways near the city and another river ferry expedition.

And like every State government since the 1960s, it has squandered our natural resources wealth.

Whether its policies are misdirected at a time of household difficulty is a question worth debating, as is whether any alternative party has policies that would do better.

That is common sense. But declaring that One Nation couldn't do any worse is pure fantasy.

A government's failures are a reason to scrutinise it, not evidence that any old replacement would do better.

Hard problems need costed, tested answers, not a villain and a slogan.

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