



'Bring Back Bruce'

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Keep party politics out of council

Candidate for Division 9 Bruce Dunne says political parties should keep their hands off the Sunshine Coast.

Mr Dunne cited the “shenanigans” in Federal Parliament as evidence as to why parties had no place in Council.

“Local government is about roads, rates and rubbish. We don’t need these core issues getting mixed up in all this rubbish that we’re seeing now at the federal level and, to a lesser extent, the state level,” Mr Dunne said.

He said some candidates in the 28 April local government elections on the Sunshine Coast were members of political parties or otherwise affiliated with political movements.

“They may claim they’re independent but as far as I am concerned, if you are a member of a political party, you cannot make that claim.

“If you elect someone with political affiliations, you can expect that the party will dictate how the elected official will act. They can say until their blue in the face that they will act independently, but don’t count on it.”

Mr Dunne said he was “truly independent” because he was not a member of a political party and never had been.

“That’s not what ratepayers want from their Councillors,” he said. “They look at what’s going on now – the ‘soap opera’, as some are calling it – turns people off politics, and rightly so.

“Nothing should detract from the core issues of local government. That’s all the electors should have to worry about – that their Council is well-run and efficient and that they get value-for-money,” Mr Dunne said.

“My advice to electors is to keep party politics in Canberra and elect truly independent candidates who will not serve greater political masters,” he said.

Find out more about Bruce Dunne and his vision for Division 9 at www.brucedunne.com

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