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Abbott to Bring Back the Worst of Work Choices

Federal Member for Newcastle, Sharon Grierson MP, today urged Novocastrians not to risk their vote with Mr Abbott, who today confirmed a Coalition Government would bring back the worst of Work Choices.

"A vote for Mr Abbott means a return to individual contracts, one of the most unfair and unpopular aspects of Work Choices," said Ms Grierson.

"This is something none of us can allow".

Tony Abbott was today asked in a radio interview today why the Liberals haven't released a Workplace Relations policy.

Mr Abbott said it was on the Liberal Party website.

The only evidence of a Workplace Relations policy on the Liberal website is evidence that Mr Abbott will go back to the worst of WorkChoices.

The *Coalition Economic Principles - Rebuilding Sustainable Prosperity* document says on page 22:

"Therefore, the key to productive workplaces and thus sustainable employment opportunities is to ensure that workers and employers have the capacity and right to tailor their employment arrangements for their mutual benefit and wellbeing.

The Coalition's workplace relations policies will seek to enhance this right; allowing each worker to determine a tailor made employment opportunity with their employer with the protection that workers will be better off overall".

"*Seeking to enhance this right* is changing the law - it means an individual contract," said Ms Grierson.

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