

Policy Document



Small Business & Economic Ownership

Aussies First: A Fairer, More Competitive Economy for All!

Why is this important?

Australia's economy is stitched up tighter than a footy grand final. Big banks, big corporations, and big energy companies are playing the game for themselves, leaving everyday Aussies, small businesses, and workers on the sidelines. Successive governments—both Left and Right—have let this happen, but we reckon it's time for a level playing field. As a small business owner myself, I'm here to shake things up and give everyday Aussies a real shot at economic ownership.

I stand for:

- ✓ More small businesses, more family enterprises, and more local success stories.
- ✓ Employees having a stake in the companies they work for.
- ✓ A banking system that works for people, not just profits.
- ✓ An energy sector that puts consumers first.
- ✓ An end to corporate welfare—because big businesses shouldn't need handouts.

My Vision

I'm all about an Australia where the economy works for everyone, not just the big end of town. That means fairer competition, real opportunities for workers and small businesses, and an end to monopolies calling the shots.

The Big Fixes

Break Up the Big Four Banks

The banks are having a laugh—gobbling up the financial sector while leaving small businesses and home buyers out in the cold. Time for some real competition! I'll:

- Stop banks from playing in superannuation, insurance, and wealth management—stick to banking, folks!
- Cap market share at 20% per bank to end the monopoly.

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- Ban banks from owning shares in other companies (so they stop running the economy like their own private club).
- Introduce prison sentences for dodgy banking execs who break the rules—no more slaps on the wrist!
- Make it easier to switch banks, with penalties for banks that make it difficult.
- Remove red tape that keeps small banks, credit unions, and building societies from competing fairly.

Fix the Energy Market

Sick of sky-high power bills? So are we! The Big Three energy companies have too much control. I'll:

- Force energy companies to separate their generation and retail businesses—no more price gouging!
- Cap market share to stop the giants from getting bigger while keeping new players locked out.
- Make energy retailers offer a fair, regulated “default product” so consumers aren't stuck with dodgy contracts.
- Remove all subsidies—fossil fuels and renewables included—so the market works for people, not special interests.

Take On Telstra

I'll demand that we split up Telstra, separating its network operations from its retail business. This means:

- Better service and lower prices for consumers.
- A more competitive telco industry.
- No more corporate monopolies holding Australians hostage.

A Fairer Tax System for Aussie-Owned Businesses

Businesses that do the right thing should get a break. I'll fight to introduce a 15% corporate tax rate for companies where:

- Employees own at least 50% of the company or have 50% of the say in decision-making.
- At least 20% of employees are people with disabilities, mental illnesses, ex-offenders, or others who've struggled to find work.

Small Business & Self-Employed Protections

Small businesses keep Australia running, but big corporations and government red tape keep them struggling. I'll:

- Protect small business owners from unfair contracts and dodgy dealings by big corporations.

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- Let small businesses team up to negotiate better deals with suppliers and acquirers.
- Take super collection responsibilities away from small businesses (under 20 employees) and shift it to the tax system.

More Competition, More Choices, Better Deals

I'm all about more competition and fewer barriers to new businesses. That means:

- Breaking up any company that controls more than 40% of a market.
- Removing restrictions on new players in banking, insurance, retail, airlines, utilities, and media.
- Keeping industry licensing fees at cost-recovery rates (instead of governments using them as a cash cow).
- Ending tax breaks that favour property speculation over actual business investment.
- Scrapping all forms of corporate welfare—no more taxpayer-funded handouts to big corporations!

The Bottom Line

I want an economy where everyone gets a fair go—not just the big players. I'm here to break up monopolies, level the playing field, and give Aussies more ownership, choice, and power over their financial futures. No more government handouts for the wealthy, no more dodgy deals that lock out small businesses, and no more rigged markets that make life harder for everyday Australians.

It's time to take back our economy—because when Australians own more, we all win!

Vote for a stronger, fairer, more independent Australia!

YOUR Vote, YOUR Voice...

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