

STOPPING CORRUPTION IN NSW POLITICS

While the Coalition fiddled with the laws to make life easier for themselves, we continued our push to drive the money out of politics, giving voters and communities a real voice in parliament. The message in this election has to be loud and clear to Labor, the Coalition and their powerful mates. Help The Greens make NSW a state with zero tolerance of corruption.



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The old parties are caught up in the culture of backroom deals and influence peddling that puts people and the environment last. Coal mines, coal seam gas drilling, huge over-developments and dodgy government contracts for big campaign donors have become the order of the day in NSW.

The Coalition Government has a history of protecting vested interests. When the Bulga community stood up to big mining in the courts and won, construction of a new open cut coal mine was stopped. Rather than accept the court's decision, the Coalition backed the mining company's appeal and changed the law.

Money was again put before the community's interests when considering this mine. Without money or powerful friends in the old parties your voice is not heard. The old parties both avoid accountability. After disturbing revelations at ICAC involving senior Labor and Coalition politicians, the old parties announced internal reforms. However, the faceless men still control Labor, and the Coalition still represent vested interests.

It's time to listen to the community. Corruption has no place in NSW.

Strong representative democracy needs an open and transparent government. Politicians should represent their communities and protect the public interest. We can ensure politics in NSW is free from the corruption

synonymous with the old parties.

In NSW, it doesn't matter whether it's the Coalition or Labor that win office – when the old parties win, it's the campaign donors, lobbyists and developers who get the ear of government.

Transparent and accountable government is essential for justice and long-term prosperity. The Greens will not sacrifice the public interest to the big end of town. We are committed to ending the culture of political favours and corruption.

People should always come before profits.

The Greens will:

- **Ban corporate donations to political parties in NSW.**
- **Make sure every donation over \$1,000 is publicly declared, so voters know when favours are being bought.**
- **End the dodgy backroom deals by making minutes from meetings with lobbyists readily available to all.**
- **Ensure the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) can continue to expose corruption, free from politicisation or the threat of retribution.**

Clean up local government with more accountability for councillors and council staff.