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LABOUR STOOD ALONE AGAINST BLANKET BANK GUARANTEE

Labour **STOOD ALONE** in September 2008 and was the **ONLY** party to oppose the introduction of the disastrous Fianna Fail/Green blanket bank guarantee. "This blanket guarantee has bailed out casino banks and bankrupted the Irish people" said Deputy Broughan "It is appalling that present and future Irish generations will be financially crucified because of the decision of the Fianna Fail/Green government (which was supported by Fine Gael and Sinn Fein) to bail out the toxic banks." Labour can be trusted on the economy and will clean up the banking system and Irish corporate culture and make sure it works for the Irish people, Irish businesses and ordinary bank workers. To do this Labour has proposed a Strategic Investment Bank; an SME Working Capital Guarantee Scheme targeted at small and medium size businesses; new banking partnerships with An Post, the mutual and credit union sectors; the establishment of new regulations that protect depositors but ensures that senior bank bondholders are responsible for their own private debt; end the out-of-control bonus culture and cap senior public sector executive pay.



Tommy speaking at Labour Conference.



Tommy at the Donaghmede Summer Festival.

LABOUR WILL RENEOGTIATE FF SELLOUT IMF DEAL

One of the top priorities of a Labour-led government is to renegotiate the appallingly bad deal for Ireland that Fianna Fail and the Greens agreed to with the IMF. "The Irish people were severely let down in the IMF-EU negotiations", said Deputy Tommy Broughan. "Labour's first priority in government is to achieve a new deal including a much lower, fairer interest rate; a jobs and growth strategy (with a much lower level of adjustment which allows room for economic growth); measures to make senior bank bondholders take on the burden of their own bad debts; and putting capital into a Strategic Investment Bank to get credit flowing into the real economy for job creation and businesses." Labour is proposing that the terms of the EU/IMF deal are extended by a year to 2016; a 7 Year National Development Plan to incorporate funding available from various sources including Labour's Strategic Investment Bank is drawn up; and that we carry out an urgent review of the Universal Social Charge to identify the households that have been hardest hit and we will reform the tax accordingly.

OUR PRIORITY: JOBS, JOBS, JOBS

Labour believes that the key to economic recovery and sustainable growth is getting people back to work. It is simply unacceptable to have more than 400,000 people on the Live Register. Labour has developed a comprehensive series of short and medium term measures to tackle the jobs crisis and get people re-skilled, retrained and out of longterm unemployment. These include a €500 million Jobs fund to create and support employment; new training and education schemes including "Earn and Learn", "Bridge the Gap" and a new Skills Exchange programme; a small business SME Working Capital Guarantee Scheme and a PRSI break for companies that create new jobs. Labour has also proposed a Strategic Investment Bank (with an initial €2 billion investment from the National Pension Reserve Fund) to get credit flowing to small and medium size businesses and facilitate major investment projects. Labour will target Ireland's competitive advantage in sectors where there is huge potential for growth including tourism, agri-food sector, and clean, renewable and green technology jobs. Labour is determined to legislate to end the upward-only rent reviews which is crippling many small and medium businesses. Labour is deeply aware of the economic vulnerability of self-employed citizens and is committed to reviewing the position of the self-employed in the social protection code.



Tommy with Cllr. Peter Coyle at Portmarnock DART.

LABOUR PUTS EDUCATION FIRST

Labour is the only party that is committed to protecting and enhancing our education system. Labour strongly opposed the series of cutbacks that targeted programmes to prevent early school leaving, students doing the vocational Leaving Certificate, book grants, disadvantaged schools and those schools with special language and other needs. Labour believes that the FF/Green cuts to the National Educational Psychological Service must be reversed. Labour has a comprehensive national programme to enhance literacy levels at primary and second levels. 60,000 new education, training and internship places will also be delivered through Labour's Jobs Fund.



Tommy and Senator Brendan Ryan at Broadmeadow Bridge collapse.

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BROUGHAN: ALWAYS WORKING FOR NORTH EAST IN DÁIL ÉIREANN

Tommy Broughan T.D. has always brought key Dublin North East issues and concerns to the floor of Dail Eireann including:

- Local unemployment and protecting jobs in Cadburys and other vital local companies
- Cutbacks to DART services and proposed changes to key local bus routes
- Regeneration Projects in Moatview, Belcamp and Darndale Estates
- Supporting air connectivity, jobs and businesses at Dublin Airport including strongly supporting ex-SR Technics workers
- The completion of the North Fringe district including the urgent remediation of any damaged homes and development of all relevant services
- The water shortage crisis
- Community concerns about anti-social behaviour and crime
- Maintenance of the Northside Community Law Centre
- Cutbacks to North East community and anti-drugs projects
- Illegal occupation of development lands in Clongriffin & Newtown Court
- Tackling the ongoing graffiti plague
- Proposed closure of the Kinsealy Teagasc agri-research centre
- Local housing waiting lists and homelessness
- Outstanding concerns of the Stardust Victims and Relatives Committee



Tommy speaks to local taxi drivers.

- Resources for Beaumont Hospital and critical specialist health services
- Support for our local mariners and fishermen
- Special education services and Colaiste Dhulaigh library
- Cutbacks to local school services



Tommy Broughan TD with Moatview / Fairfield Community Workers.

A FAIR HEALTH SYSTEM FOR ALL

Labour wants to end the Harney/Fianna Fail profit-driven health model and instead deliver a fair health system for all. It's time for real change so that health care is based on medical need, not ability to pay or income. The Labour Party will end the dysfunctional two-tier health system through the introduction of a fully-costed and phased universal hospital care insurance system. Every patient will be covered either by a not-for-profit insurance or a private insurance company and a guaranteed package of universal hospital care will then be provided for each patient. Money will "follow the patient" in the system which is a much more cost-effective model. Labour will also absolutely prioritise the delivery of enhanced primary care services including the ending of GP fees. Labour's universal health care system is based on a not-for profit ethos with strong cost control measures on insurance costs and fees. This fully-costed plan will be financed through the health budget as well as savings in the health system including reductions in procurement costs, the use of generic drugs, delivery of more care at primary level and controls on professional fees and drugs.

HOUSING & MANAGEMENT CO. REFORMS

Labour's housing policy puts people and liveable communities first. We will help homeowners weather the recession through a two year moratorium on house repossessions; the development of MABS into a strengthened personal debt management agency; enhanced protection from their creditors for distressed mortgage-holders and an extension of the use of the Mortgage Interest Supplement. In Dublin North East up to 1500 housing units are currently vacant yet thousands of families and individuals remain on the housing list. Labour strongly believes that we need a new housing policy including a new Sustainable Home Insurance Programme and a vigorous councilled approach to tackle the housing lists. For twelve years, Tommy Broughan and the Labour Party have campaigned for an end to the current dysfunctional management company system and will introduce new strict regulations for management companies as well as a strongly effective Property Services Regulatory Authority to protect apartment and home owners. There is also an urgent need to finish all necessary remediation works in the North Fringe.



Tommy at Community Protest.

LABOUR: PROTECTING CRIME VICTIMS

Labour in government will ensure that victims and their needs are at the heart of the justice process. To achieve this we will tackle the delays in bringing cases to trial; reform sentencing to make putting the victim who was fearful of injury during a crime a serious aggravating factor in any offence; put the Witness Protection Programme on a statutory basis; reduce the time period CAB has to wait before forfeiture of the Proceeds of Crime from seven to two years; introduce new measures to stop white collar criminals transferring assets to spouses and introduce civil orders against serious offenders following conviction. The Labour Party will make community policing a key priority so that more Gardai are on patrol in communities that are afflicted by anti-social behaviour. The community Garda service should also be supported by members of the Garda Reserve drawn from the community. Labour will also reform Sentencing Legislation to make the punishment fit the crime.

We should salute this brave T.D. who voted with his conscience

- Evening Herald, July 13, 2009 on Tommy Broughan's stand in support of Criminal Justice Act (2009)

TOMMY'S UNBEATABLE TRACK RECORD OF LOCAL SERVICE

Tommy Broughan T.D. has a long track record of community service. He was founding Secretary of Community Enterprise Donaghmede Artane (CEDA) and founding Chairperson of Bonnybrook Enterprise Action Group (BEAG) and Coolock Development Council. He has served on many Northside bodies promoting jobs, small business and local social and economic activities including the Northside Partnership, the Northside Centre for the Unemployed and the Urban Regeneration of North Dublin. Tommy continues to be an active director of Coolock Development Council. Tommy also has a strong record in supporting environmental protection and sustainable integrated planning. He served on the Board of Sempa (for sustainable planning of Howth, Sutton, Mid-Sutton, and Baldoyle) and was the original proposer of the North Fringe Forum at Dublin City Council. Tommy proposed the North Fringe Forum to create a democratic forum of stakeholders and residents for the sustainable planning of the North City Fringe from Coolock and Clonshaugh to Baldoyle and Portmarnock.



CAMPAIGNER

Tommy is considered one of the most tenacious and outspoken Dail performers including as a member of the key Dail Public Accounts Committee. He acted as Labour's National Spokesperson in a variety of portfolios including Enterprise, Trade and Employment; Social Protection; Communications, Marine and Natural Resources (Energy); and Transport. He has always vigorously worked to defend the rights of Aer Lingus and Dublin Airport staff, Irish Ferries workers, and our marine and fishing communities. Tommy's longstanding Dail campaigns include tackling the ongoing ripoff culture and barriers for small businesses and new entrepreneurs. Tommy has always campaigned for a much tougher anti-social behaviour strategy to protect local residents. He is the only TD who has prioritised getting the North Fringe fully finished and with all of the key services.

POLICYMAKER

Tommy has developed a wide range of national Labour Party policies including on broadband, digital broadcasting, energy, fuel poverty, postal services, the taxi sector, sustainable transport, road safety, rural transport services; aviation, Caring for our Carers, and supporting our fisheries sector and marine communities. In the last Dail session alone Tommy spoke on a range of vital national issues including the banking and financial crisis; the macro-economic and fiscal outlook; the Dublin Mayoral Bill; the Fianna Fail/Green government decision to slash the National Minimum Wage; and the need for enhanced support for small businesses.

LEGISLATOR

Tommy has published a series of his own legislation including the Health and Safety at Work Bill, the Shop Workers Bill, the Trade Union Recognition Bill, Anti-Joyriding Road Traffic Bills, the Mercantile Marine (Avoidance of Flags of Convenience) Bill and the Petroleum and Other Minerals Development Bill to overhaul the regulations for exploring Ireland's natural resources. Tommy also invigilated critical government legislation on behalf of the Labour Party.



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Tommy launches Labour Policy.



Tommy congratulates Kilbarrack Utd. FC on 40 years.



Tommy and Cllr. Cian O'Callaghan and Lord Mayor Emer Costello.



Tommy and Joan Burton TD at Labour Campaign launch.

