

BAY VILLAGE WORKER CAMP — WOODSIDE ENERGY — KARRATHA

**357. Ms M.J. DAVIES to the Premier:**

I have a supplementary question. What provisions or regulations will be in place to ensure Woodside does not pull operational staff out of other existing camps and put them into Bay Village, costing existing local businesses their business and employees' jobs?

**Mr M. McGOWAN replied:**

Now the National Party is an advocate for some people who own camps who probably donate to it. That is what is going on there.

**Ms M.J. Davies:** I do not think so!

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** Are you not? That is what you are.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Members!

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** We understand that the Browse and Scarborough projects are big. If they come onshore, it will be many hundreds of jobs, more than could be accommodated at the 700-bed facility. We want to bring them onshore and create all that activity for Karratha, but the alternative that the Nationals are promoting is that, over time, Karratha dies. That is what it is promoting. Hundreds of millions of dollars of investment has been made and thousands of people have bought houses in that community. I want that community to thrive and people to have certainly for the future.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Members!

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** And if difficult decisions need to be made to achieve that outcome, we are the ones who are prepared to make those difficult decisions.