

Mr ACTING DEPUTY SPEAKER: Member for Katherine, cease interjecting. It is evident that it is you; no-one else is interjecting across the floor.

Mrs WORDEN: We increased resources and powers to our police. That includes reinstating police in schools, which the previous CLP government got rid of. We reformed youth justice with a focus on early intervention, prevention and detention when needed. As I said earlier, 65 young people are in detention today.

We increased family support and child protection. We are addressing homelessness. The minister for Housing spoke about our 1,000th home. One of the major drivers of crime is homelessness and overcrowding.

We increased penalties for spitting on or assaulting frontline service workers. We recently reformed the removal-of-gun laws. The Trespass Bill is on the Notice Paper this week. We gave police more drones and CCTV, which they requested. We are increasing the number of Aboriginal liaison officers, because the difference happens at the community coalface. There is a big effect from having more Aboriginal liaison officers in our ranks. There are record budgets year on year. We are recruiting above attrition, even though those opposite say differently.

However, the very people we are resourcing say that we cannot arrest our way out of this and kneejerk reactions are not helpful. We need a multilayered approach, with prevention, early intervention, diversion and then, of course, incarceration.

We have some of the harshest, if not the harshest, alcohol restrictions in Australia. It is interesting that those opposite pushed against all the measures we brought in. We never heard them speak about alcohol reform; they have no plan in that regard. For 20 minutes they spouted rhetoric. We have an evidence-based approach. Those opposite said that prohibition does not work, yet they supported Stronger Futures. They have a bob each way. They spout rhetoric and have a range of positions, but there is nothing concrete and no policies.

We never backed away from this problem. It is gut-wrenching to see what happened. This issue is about workplace and community safety. We acknowledge that there are issues. There are similar issues across Australia. Sadly, society as a whole has changed. More young people and adults are offending.

The opposition makes hollow and glib statements. We heard 20 minutes of throwaway lines, 'We are being tough on crime' and 'It is not good enough'. I could almost write the script for the Leader of the Opposition ...

Mrs Finocchiaro interjecting.

Mrs WORDEN: I listened to you quietly for 20 minutes, Leader of the Opposition.

'This must act as a catalyst to do something' and 'People have had enough'—do you not think we have constituents of our own we speak to every day? You think we are disconnected, and that is the story you tell, but it is disingenuous and wrong. 'Why are you not following Queensland's footsteps?', 'You have not done enough', 'You need to do more', 'Break glass in emergency action'—we heard many of those statements today. That is hollow and there is no plan. There has not been one word about what the Leader of the Opposition would do apart from bringing back breach of bail as an offence. There were no solutions, just rhetoric and empty words.

If anyone is tone deaf in this room, it is the CLP members. Our gaols and youth detention centres are full. The police do a very good job. We have supported them all the way through, working in every space. We are working on antisocial behaviour. There have been good changes in places like Casuarina with the social order response plan. We continue to work in those spaces.

We heard a few things from the CLP members. They are so bad at their jobs that one news outlet recently described them as the 'main opposition'. I am wondering about that. They continue to flounder and pursue the same 'no plan, tough on crime' narrative, which is debunked constantly. They call for help from the Australian Federal Police. What an insult that is to the hardworking members of our Northern Territory Police Force.

I will focus for a moment on youth crime, because there has been some talk of that. I recently heard the plan for 'Sentenced to a Skill'. Newsflash—we are already doing it. We are not just throwing ideas around. In June last year the Member for Barkly spoke about a DV policy. I have not seen that. It was coming, instantaneously, but where is it? We are doing what we said we would do.