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DLP declares itself right-wing Labour

A new political philosophy puts the family ahead of government and the working household ahead of big corporations, and publishes the test every policy must pass

The Democratic Labour Party (DLP) has declared itself right-wing Labour: the party of the right for people who work for a living. The philosophy behind the declaration was published in full today at dlpvic.org/right-wing-labour. It claims the word Labour for the right, and it claims the right for the people who work.

The philosophy rests on five propositions:

- **The family,** not the individual and not government, is the basic unit of society. Government exists to serve the family. The family does not exist to fund the government.
- **The economy** is judged by what a working household keeps, not by GDP or corporate profit.
- **A home** should be owned, not rented for life or paid off for life. Home ownership without lifelong debt is the standard.
- **Australians** come first: their jobs, their wages and their safety.
- **People** are free to run their own lives, and government has no business directing them.

"People hear Labour and think of the left, because that is all they have known. To the DLP Labour means the labourer: anyone who works to support themselves and their family. That person's values are on the right: family, country, law, military and owning your own home. The average person is not here to support government jobs," said Victorian Executive Secretary Cary de Wit, the DLP's lead candidate for North-Eastern Metropolitan Region.

"The right has been in retreat for thirty years. The DLP has a philosophy, and right-wing Labour is what offers balance between work and nation."

"Government should work for the family, not the family funding the government. Right now government gets the cake and you get the crumbs. In our system the government gets the crumbs and you take the cake."

Alongside the philosophy, the DLP has published the standard every one of its policies must meet:

- **Family:** Does it leave the family stronger and more able to stand on its own?
- **Service:** Does it put government at the service of the family, and not the reverse?
- **Income:** Does it increase what a working household keeps, through higher wages or lower tax and costs?
- **Ownership:** Does it bring home ownership without lifelong debt closer?
- **Nation:** Does it put the jobs, wages and safety of Australians first?
- **Freedom:** Does it widen people's freedom to run their own lives?
- **Beneficiary:** Is the working household the main beneficiary, ahead of big corporations, imported labour and government itself?

The DLP's Homemaker Allowance of $35,000 a year, for mothers who choose to stay at home to raise their children, passes on family, service and income, and the working household is the beneficiary. Its call for no tax on overtime passes on income and freedom: the worker keeps what the extra hours earn, and business carries no extra cost.

"I don't know another party that publishes a test its own policies must pass. We do, and every policy we put forward will be shown passing it," Mr de Wit said. *"We answer to people who work for a living and to*

their families, not to big corporations and not to government. Judge us by the standard we have published."

The philosophy is intended to outlast this election. Victoria, on 28 November, is the first place it goes to voters. Mr de Wit is available for interview.

About the DLP

The Democratic Labour Party (DLP) is registered with the Victorian Electoral Commission. Its roots go back to 1955. The DLP is right-wing Labour: the party of the right for people who work for a living and their families. It is contesting all eight Legislative Council regions at the Victorian election on Saturday 28 November.

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