

# ROSS DANIELS LABOR CANDIDATE FOR RYAN

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### GOODNA GONE BAD, VERY BAD!

The Liberal Party is now in a full-blown crisis following John Howard's decision to go ahead with the \$2.3 billion Goodna Bypass – a decision made against the wishes of the local community and the State Liberal Leader.

It has been reported this week that Queensland State Liberal Leader, Dr Bruce Flegg is now being pressured by the Federal Liberals to stand down because of his ongoing opposition to the Goodna bypass.

"It would be a dark day for Queensland if state members were intimidated into not representing their constituents..." *Dr Bruce Flegg*  
(*The Australian 27 March, 2007*)

Federal Labor Candidate for Ryan, Ross Daniels said the Federal Government's decision to give the Goodna Bypass the go-ahead was made to save the political career of the Member for Blair.

"This \$2.3 billion pork barrel is now a political turkey," Mr Daniels said.

"You could say John Howard's Goodna has gone bad, very bad!"

Queensland Liberal Party President, Warwick Parer - a strong supporter of the Prime Minister - yesterday declared the Howard Government would not back down on the Goodna bypass.

He refused to support Dr Flegg's leadership saying: "If you did this in the Labor Party, you would be chucked out."

(*The Australian 27 March, 2007*)

"The Liberals in Queensland are tearing themselves apart - they are a fair dinkum shambles," Mr Daniels said.

"If you can't look after your own house, you can't represent Queensland in Canberra."

Labor leader Kevin Rudd said a Federal Labor Government remains committed to the full upgrade of the Ipswich Motorway and will work with the Queensland government and the Ipswich and Brisbane City Councils to achieve that outcome.

“The Goodna bypass will do nothing for more than 6 years to ease congestion on the Ipswich Motorway or improve road safety for the 100,000 commuter vehicles using it each day,” Kevin Rudd said.

“Motorists could however, be driving on sections of the upgraded Ipswich motorway within 3 years.”

The upgrade would see the Ipswich Motorway widened to six lanes and a network of service roads established to carry motorists during construction so that more than 90 percent of the route could be rebuilt away from motorway traffic.

People interested in finding out more can contact Ross Daniels’ campaign through their website [www.Labor4Ryan.com](http://www.Labor4Ryan.com), by e-mail to [Ross.Daniels@Labor4Ryan.com](mailto:Ross.Daniels@Labor4Ryan.com), or by phone on 3312 2524.

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