



Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck

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KEYA BEHIND THE BALL ON MOBILE BLACK SPOTS

Labor's Justine Keay has proven once again that she is out of touch with issues facing the electors of Braddon.

Ms Keay used a Facebook Live event today to attempt to convince the people of Sulphur Creek that Labor care about their access to mobile phone coverage.

Labor and Justine Keay are once again behind the ball as just last week Minister for Regional Communications Senator Bridgett Mackenzie announced the outcome of the Mobile Black Spot Program Priority Locations with 106 national locations receiving improved mobile coverage as a direct result of the investment made by the Turnbull Government.

"As I announced last week Yolla, Devonport and Gunns Plains will receive coverage via the Priority Locations Round while Sulphur Creek's mobile coverage issues will be addressed by commercial upgrade by Telstra. This is expected to be operating as soon as the end of June," Senator Colbeck said

Ms Keay's comments regarding the Turnbull's Governments handling of the Mobile Phone Black Spot Program are simply bizarre. Despite Labor being in Government for six years they did not invest a single dollar into improving coverage. Under the Coalition Government 867 black spots have been fixed with Labor not a single one.

"It is clear that only the Coalition Government understands the importance of modern telecommunications in our regional communities and has implemented a plan to deliver. I look forward to working with Telstra to deliver a great outcome for the people of Sulphur Creek"

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