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To all who care about family,

My name is Alison Ninnes and I am 43 years old, happily married with two lovely teenage boys and I live on North Stradbroke Island – for now.

I say 'for now' because unlike a year ago I don't know what the future holds for me and my family, or for our Island home.



Our usually quiet community is angry because of a very small-minded decision made by Anna Bligh and Kate Jones to shut down sand mining and our livelihoods. Anna Bligh knows nothing about our community, even though she has a holiday home here, and when given the opportunity to hear our views on her decision she preferred to spend the day at a day-spa instead.

A lot of people on the mainland considering voting for Kate Jones don't realise that this ruling she made as Environment Minister will cause devastation for our whole Island community.

As the biggest employer by far on Stradbroke Island, shutting sand mining is estimated to cause unemployment to rise to 30% and all the social problems that come along with that.

By a quick stroke of a pen, if Kate Jones can shut down our community, she can do it to other communities as well.

From one community to another, we are asking you vote for Campbell Newman in this election because he will save the future for my children on our Island.

Yours sincerely,

Alison Ninnes