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Labor Budget notable for broken Tweed promises

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Tweed residents have once again been duded by the State Labor Government in Tuesday’s NSW Government Budget, according to disappointed Tweed MP Geoff Provest.

“There is nothing new in this – Tweed schools, roads, hospitals and police services were consistently neglected during my predecessors’ tenure – but it is nonetheless very frustrating,” Mr Provest said.

“While Labor Treasurer Michael Costa boasted a Budget in surplus, almost all of that money is being earmarked for the Sydney basin,” Mr Provest said.

“During the recent election campaign Labor promised the Tweed a new trade school, a new ambulance station and a new police station.”

“Labor is already breaking its election promises with none of these projects appearing in the Budget papers.”

Labor Treasurer Michael Costa boasted in his speech that ‘the Government is undertaking the biggest ever expansion of rail transport in our State’s history’ with ‘\$2 billion for priority rail infrastructure projects’.

“However not one cent has been allocated to the reopening of the Murwillumbah Casino line or its extension to the border,” Mr Provest said.

“Labor has allocated just \$1 million for Sexton Hill over the next twelve months and unspecified long promised funding to upgrade Tweed River High School.”

“I do welcome the \$8.5 million Country Energy will invest for a new sub station in Tweed Heads South. This is something I lobbied for.”

Mr Provest said he had yet to receive a response to a letter he wrote to the Premier in late March seeking a meeting to discuss pressing Tweed issues.

He pledged he would continue to take a cooperative approach with the Premier and Labor Ministers in his fight for better services for Tweed residents.

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