



Sid Sidebottom MP ... for a fair go in Braddon

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Federal Minister for Finance visits Burnie

Federal Member for Braddon Sid Sidebottom brought his colleague Federal Minister for Finance Lindsay Tanner to Burnie last week.

Mr Tanner took a tour through Wynyard mining equipment manufacturing company Haulmax, before delivering a presentation on Australia's economic outlook at a luncheon in Burnie.

During his presentation, Mr Tanner spoke to local business people about how the Rudd Government's stimulus packages are working to re-invigorate the local, and national economy.

"I think it's very important for me to bring key Rudd Government ministers like Mr Tanner to the North-West Coast in order to give them a first-hand insight into how the global downturn has affected our region," Mr Sidebottom said.

"There aren't many people better qualified to speak about the reasons behind the global financial crisis than Mr Tanner, so I thought it was important for him to explain these reasons in detail to the North-West business community.

"Mr Tanner then talked about the recovery of our economy, and the action the Rudd Government has taken through its stimulus packages to cushion our financial system in the way of infrastructure projects.

"The Rudd Government has injected more than \$95m into the North-West economy during the past 18 months through a range of infrastructure projects."

"Mr Tanner's visit also gave local business people the opportunity to speak directly to the Minister about their individual situation."

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