

Media Release

The Hon Lily D'Ambrosio MP
Minister for Climate Action
Minister for Energy and Resources
Minister for the State Electricity Commission



Sunday, 7 July 2024

IS IT GAME, SET, MATCH FOR JOHN PESUTTO?

While we're focused on delivering what matters for the people of Victoria, the Liberal Party is once again focused on themselves and their ongoing leadership struggle.

Liberal Party Member for Nepean, Sam Groth has sensationally challenged John Pesutto's leadership, telling the Herald Sun that he wants to be Premier.

In the same interview, Sam Groth says he won't destabilise the party, while openly declaring war on John Pesutto's leadership while the Leader of the Opposition is overseas and can't return serve.

Given this stunning treachery and public display of disunity, the public deserves to know the truth behind Sam Groth's intentions, and whether John Pesutto will allow him to continue to destabilise from the front bench.

1. Does Sam think that John Pesutto is the best person to lead the Liberal Party?
2. When will Sam challenge John Pesutto for Liberal Party leadership?
3. Has Sam spoken to any of his colleagues to canvas support for challenging John Pesutto?
4. Will Sam ask John Pesutto to stand aside as leader of the Opposition, having publicly challenged him?
5. Does Sam think it is appropriate to continue to serve as a shadow minister while he challenges John Pesutto?
6. Does Sam's 'vision' for Victoria involve cuts, closures and sacking staff?
7. Will Sam allow Moira Deeming back into the Liberal party?
8. Will Sam put more Liberal Party women on the front bench?
9. Will Sam stand up to Peter Dutton and oppose toxic, risky and expensive nuclear energy?
10. Does Sam support John Pesutto's decision to scrap the Suburban Rail Loop?