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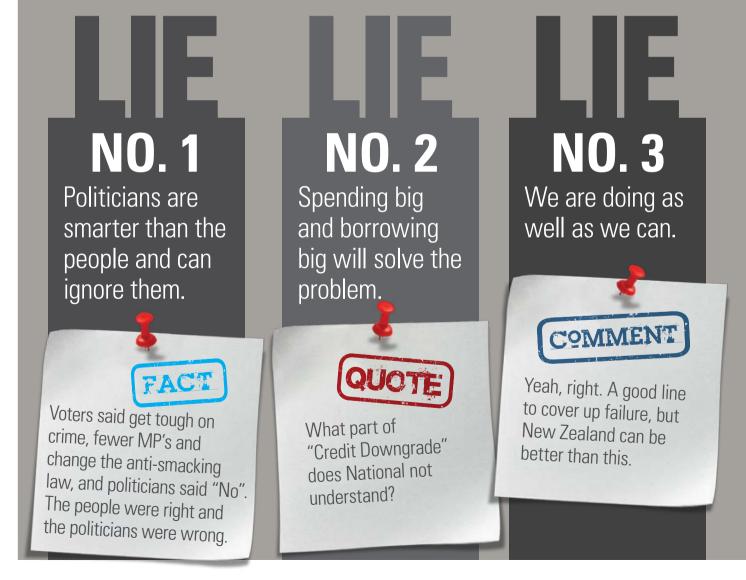
INSIDE : WHAT WE BELIEVE

COLIN TALKS TO SENIORS



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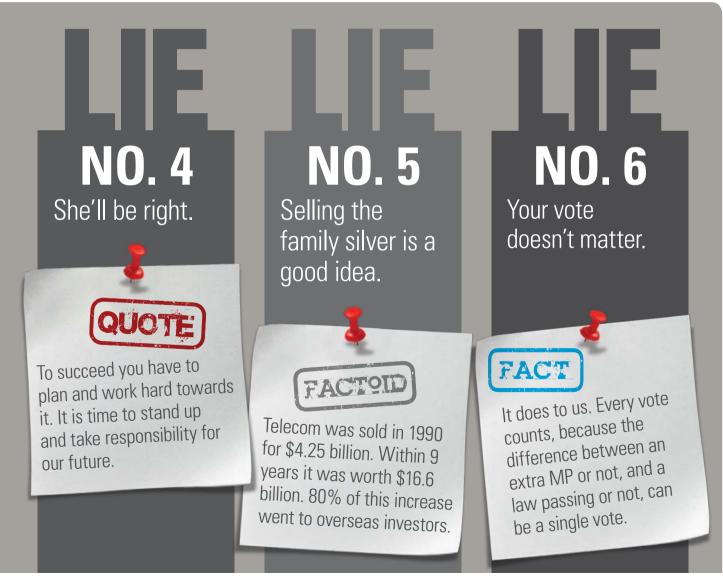


# After reading the heading you might think this page is all about National's broken promises, like...

- Not increasing GST **they did.**
- Stopping the carbon tax actually they introduced it themselves.
- Changing the smacking law if it harmed good parents it has, but no change.

The list goes on... but this page is about the GREAT BIG LIES.

**GREAT BIG LIES** that we are being told as a country.**GREAT BIG LIES** that some of us are starting to believe.**GREAT BIG LIES** that are behind many decisions made in this country.



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We believe that New Zealand is destined for greater things. Although we have made soft choices and pandered to convenience and political correctness there is time now to make new choices.

We are a nation of people that can make it happen. We don't need much: a piece of number 8 wire, some daylight, and the determination to succeed.

We believe our future should be one of unity, of peace, and prosperity. We believe in taking responsibility to make it so. We must all play a part here, for there are no bystanders in this game of life and nationhood.

Our nation was built on principles of doing the right thing, family, working hard, honesty, consequences for actions, innovation and enterprise. We believe in holding to these values.

We believe in principled leadership that serves the people and honours their wishes.

We believe that if we have the courage to return to values that work this country will again shine as an example to the world.

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All this we believe and stand for.



## Colin Craig talks to Seniors

Dear Senior Citizen,

I wanted to write and tell you how the Conservative Party can make a difference for seniors in New Zealand. I was brought up to respect my elders and that hasn't changed. You are the people with the wisdom and experience to know that New Zealand is not the place it used to be.

I want to talk about three things that I think are important for seniors. The first of these is safety, the second is money, and the third is about a better future for your grandchildren.

We are going to need your help to get this country back to values that work. If you think we are right about what we are saying, then we need you to vote for the Conservative Party on Election Day so we can start making a difference.



#### You want safety

New Zealand has become a more dangerous place. There are many more assaults and murders than there used to be and young offenders now get away with all sorts of bad behaviour. The new punishment for minor crimes such as graffiti is a formal warning (which used to be called a "telling off"). I can't believe anyone thinks a "telling off" will make any difference. In my day a belt on the backside was pretty effective (but of course the politicians think that's wrong now).

My friend Garth McVicar, at Sensible Sentencing Trust, says I have "the passion and guts to stand up for the



average kiwi" and I count it a privilege to do so. It's time to get tough on crime and I don't apologise for saying it.

We would make prisoners work, and pay back the victims of crime. This pay back includes "white collar" criminals working to pay back money stolen from people's investment funds.

If you want to take a much tougher stand on crime then vote Conservative.

#### You want money

So let's talk about money. Most of you will know that the pension is linked to the average wage. So if wages go up so does the pension.

This sounds OK until you realize that the cost of living is the real problem. Costs have risen faster than income so it is harder to get by than it used to be.

The Conservative Party will look at changes to GST on local body rates and healthy food. But we go further than that by supporting two other important changes.

The first of these is the cancellation of the Emissions Trading Scheme that has increased fuel and power prices as well as driving up the price of foodstuffs.



Finally I want to talk about the kind of place New Zealand will be in the future.

If we want to stop young people leaving we are going to have to revitalize the economy so there are good paying jobs for them here. It is time to stop the steady stream of young people leaving to Australia or further afield. Remember that 25 years ago New Zealand was economically better off than Australia. It is a result of bad government and decision making that we are far behind them today.

The Conservative Party is going to change the Welfare system so that everyone has to do some

The second of these is to allow all New Zealanders to earn up to \$25,000 before they start paying income tax. This would ensure that pensioners have substantially more money in their hands so they can meet the increased cost of living.

Under National		Under Conservative	
	Weekly Income		Weekly Income
Super	\$389.14	Super	\$389.14
Interest	\$15.00	Interest	\$15.00
	\$404.14		\$404.14
Taxes	\$51.85	Taxes	\$0.00*
NET	\$352.30	NET	\$404.14

#### Case study of pensioner with small investment

\*As income is less than \$25,000

A vote for the Conservative Party will dramatically improve the living conditions for seniors in New Zealand.

# You want a better future for your grandchildren

work if they want to get paid. I think we agree that fit young men need to be out working, not hanging around and causing trouble.

The Conservative Party is about long term thinking and we want to make changes now to ensure that the next generation has the chance to grow up in a New Zealand the way it used to be when people had values, laws were enforced, and everyone used a lot more common sense.



### **Dear Voter**



I want to thank you for taking the time to read our brochure. This is the last in a series of 6 that we have produced. (If you did miss any you can see them at our website **www.conservativeparty.org.nz** under the "media" tab).

In the election you are deciding who you will employ to run the country for the next 3 years. You need to think about **what you really want** when casting your vote.

We have set out a number of reasons for you to party vote Conservative this election. Our policies include:

- **V** Binding referenda
- ✓ Repealing the Emissions Trading Scheme
- Repealing the Anti-Smacking Law
- Returning the Foreshore and Seabed to Crown ownership
- Alcohol reform, including raising the purchasing age to 21
- Keeping our state assets
- Law and Order reform so prisoners have to work
- ✓ Welfare reform

Albert Einstein said, Insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results.

In New Zealand we have been doing the same old thing and getting the same old results for many years. Real Incomes have declined for the majority of New Zealand familes for the last 25 years and we have fallen economically further behind. Whether you have voted for National or Labour it has made no difference because they have not been willing to make the changes we need.

We have also seen both Labour and National's contempt for the New Zealand voter as they have ignored the outcome of citizens initiated referenda.

This election I ask you to change your party vote to the Conservative Party so that we can turn this country around and pursue real solutions and values that work.

We have a wonderful team of candidates and supporters across the country and we have done what we can to explain the need for change. I ask you to vote Conservative to give New Zealand a better future.

Kind Regards

Colin Craig

Leader of the Conservative Party November 2011