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SYDNEY WORKERS IN CALL TO CHANGE THE RULES

Over 100 union members are expected to attend the local launch of the Change the Rules campaign in Revesby TOMORROW (Thursday 16 August, 2018).

ACTU Secretary Sally McManus said recent polling in the Federal seats of Banks and Reid showed strong community support for the Change the Rules agenda.

“People in Reid and Banks are telling us what workers across Australia have been telling us. Working people need better and fairer rights at work.

“These people are telling the Turnbull Government that working people need stronger rights, that protections for working people have been eroded and that we are not getting the secure jobs and fair pay rises that they need.

“We can change the rules so the people have more secure jobs, fair pay and a better quality of life in Sydney.

“Instead of addressing the concerns of the overwhelming majority of the community, the Turnbull Government is persisting with \$65 billion in corporate tax cuts for big businesses and the banks.”

Unions NSW Secretary Mark Morey said union members in Sydney were particularly concerned about issues such as youth unemployment, the future of TAFE, poor infrastructure and cuts to penalty rates.

“Thousands of local workers have had their pay cut twice in the space of 12 months because of the Turnbull Government’s cuts to penalty rates,” Mr Morey said.

“When you combine this with the lack of jobs growth, the cost of living, transport congestion and the rising cost of TAFE courses, it’s clear that Sydney has been getting a dud deal from the Turnbull Federal Government.”

Ms McManus, Mr Morey and other speakers will be available for interview prior to the launch event TOMORROW NIGHT (Thursday 16 August) at the Revesby Workers Club, 2B Brett Street, at 6.30pm.

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