The developers of a proposed commercial and residential project in Coolalinga, in Darwin’s rural area, should be congratulated for their commitment to building much needed infrastructure in the Top End.

Shadow Minister for Planning and Lands, Kezia Purick, said the proposal will boost outer Darwin’s commercial and retail stock and, into the future, expand housing opportunities and choice for Territorians.

“This project takes up the challenge that has been so comprehensively botched by the Henderson Government,” Ms Purick said.

“Labor has made a hash of expanding the Territory’s residential housing stock.

“The Government’s chronically slow release of land and the glacial pace of housing construction have left many Territorians struggling to buy or rent a home.”

Ms Purick said Government must now commit to the rapid facilitation of headworks at Coolalinga to ensure both the commercial and residential strands of the project can be facilitated.

“Provision of water, sewerage and electricity will all need to be facilitated by Government,” she said.

“I hope Labor’s prepared to ensure the smooth progression of this project through the competent delivery of these essential services.”

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