

BLOG: Enda Kenny - What a Week!

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What a week! Cavan, Monaghan, Louth, Tullamore, Ennis, Galway, Meath. Wicklow, Limerick, Mayo and Dublin. Glad our jeeps are running on bio-diesel.

Our message of a better government and a better Ireland is going down extremely well with the people, especially as the FG-Labour option is now the only stable government on offer on 24 May. As people see it, ten years is way too long to be waiting for health services that work, for a chance to get on the property ladder, for the kind of public transport they can depend on. As the campaign goes on, they're seeing, too, with increasing clarity, that the FG-Labour Alliance will solve problems and deliver the services they need.

Yesterday, we launched the FG Manifesto. It's about better: better services, better spending, better results, better quality of life, a better Ireland. If you've been stranded on the M50 this week, you'll think that better Ireland can't come soon enough. Our manifesto is also about families. Our young families, in particular, are paying a savage price for short-term planning. Hours commuting, the race to the crèche, more and more working parents spending less and less time with their children. In the commuter belt I've been hearing it all week: if the traffic is bad there's hardly enough time for dinner, bath and bed. Too many young parents are asking openly what they used to wonder in private: are they working to live, or now, are they just living to work? Our families are the life-blood of our society. We will give them a hand by re-structuring the tax-code to support them in the choices they make, be it where one parent stays at home to look after the children or an elderly relative.

Remember, your vote is about your future. Use it well. For a better, brighter future vote for the Contract for a Better Ireland. On 24 May, vote for the Fine Gael-Labour Alliance and continue your preferences to the Green Party.