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DA's arrogance borders on misinformation and lies

"The DA should be careful not to paint itself as a loud mouthed party, and so ridicule their own image through exaggerated claims." says Christian Democratic Party (CDP) leader, Rev. Theunis Botha.

"We understand that the DA would, through intimidation, seek to coerce voters into voting for them by portraying other opposition parties as insignificant, but to do this through misinformation bordering on lies is incorrigible. The reality is that these parties have niche markets which are strongly principled and will never vote for the DA."

"The DA must be careful whom they are picking fights with, as this could blow up in their face should a coalition be needed in the unlikely event that the ANC and allies lose their outright majority in the Tshwane council. Other parties have also voiced their disgust at this inappropriate conduct."

"To now claim that the DA can win the Tshwane council with an outright majority, sounds like the ridiculous echoes of similar claims made since the DA came into existence, and which never resulted in them getting much more than 30 % of the vote. With several new areas with strong ANC support having now been added to the Tshwane Metro this will make it even more unlikely that the DA will gain control. The CDP appeals to voters not to believe everything they are told, but rather vote for what they believe in."

DA se arrogansie grens aan disinformasie en leuens

"Die DA moet daarteen waak om homself nie as 'n grootbek-party te skilder wat van selfvoldaanheid oorloop deur belaglike verwagtinge te koester en daaroor af te snater nie," sê ds. Theunis Botha, leier van die Christen-Demokratiese Party (CDP), ds. Theunis Botha.

"Ons verstaan dat die DA probeer om opposisiestemme op homself te verenig deur ander opposisie as negeerbaar-nietig te skets, maar die werklikheid is dat sulke partye 'n nismark verteenwoordig van mense wat sterk oor hul beginsels voel, en nooit vir die DA sal stem nie."

"Die DA moet daarom versigtig wees met wie dit skoorsoek, aangesien dit van kardinale belang kan wees wanneer daar oor 'n koalisie gevorm moet word, soos in die onwaarskynlike geval wanneer die ANC en hul koalisievennote hul volstrekte meerderheid in die Tshwane-raad verloor. Ander partye het ook al ergerlik op hierdie onbehoorlike gespoggerij gereageer."

"Om nou te spog dat die DA die Tshwane-raad met 'n volstrekte meerderheid kan wen, klink maar soos ego's van grootbek-praatjies sedert die DA tot stand gekom het, en wat nog selde meer as 'n derde van die stemme opgelewer het. Verskeie areas met sterk ANC-steun is tot die Tshwane-area bygevoeg wat dit nog meer onwaarskynlik maak dat die DA beheer sal kan oorneem. Die CDP doen 'n beroep op kiesers om te stem vir dit waarin hulle glo, en nie hul ore vir grootbekpraatjies uit te leen nie."