As campaigning ends, we focus on the hottest battle at Aljunied GRC, where the PAP and the Workers’ Party had similar messages in their final rallies – the need for change.

George Yeo: PAP must CHANGE

He said that he had spoken to the party chief, Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong, about making a speech about transforming the PAP.

"PM said, 'George, you and your teammates say what is in your heart. And reflect what is in the hearts of ordinary people.' He said he will listen, and listen hard."

Mr Yeo then urged the residents of Aljunied to give him a strong mandate so that he could be their voice in Parliament.

And he said his team must "decisively" to have more influence in the Government.

And we must fight for this transformation of the PAP and achieve this new unity. This is really the struggle for the soul of Singapore.

"And in this struggle, we are all on the same side. All political parties are on the same side," he said.

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"And we have to work together, to renew hope in the Singapore we love. Live or die, we who are here will work with you to make it happen."

He also paid tribute to young Singaporeans, who, he said, has helped him fight an election unlike any he has ever been in before.

"In the last few years, they have taught me much. They've helped me to communicate with them, how to speak, how to listen," he said.

And if a young person said: "Do a video recording and talk to me (the youth)," he said, adding that he did not look good in the initial takes of the video because one could tell that he was reading off a teleprompter.

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He did. And the video went viral.

However, while Mr Yeo said this was good for him politically, he found himself feeling sad that the video was so popular.

"I felt sad about it going viral because it was a simple message. Two minutes. And many people felt moved."

"And they could be moved by such a short clip, it shows that they care communication."

He said what he realised was that young people felt that the PAP Government was talking "at them" and not "to them."

"And unless we engage young people and allow them to teach us, I don't think we can communicate with them," he said.

And once there is communication, the influence becomes two-way. They've influenced me, and I think I've influenced those that helped me, too.

"And the result is they are better, and I am better. And this is what our country should be."

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