COMMUTER CAR PARKING IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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Commuter car parking at Schofields train station is absolutely critical given the speed with which Schofields and surrounding suburbs are expanding. It is incumbent on the state government to provide these basic facilities if it is prepared to have new suburbs develop at this rate. Presently if one wants to find a spot on a surrounding road one needs to arrive at the station by 6.30am. This also means that all surrounding streets are packed with cars which presents many dangers to pedestrians and motorists as well as being totally unacceptable. Because car parking spots are at a premium and people have to be dropped off and picked up the area around the station becomes completely congested and provides a hazardous situation which will lead to pedestrian deaths and motor vehicle accidents. My wife has a disability and is wheelchair bound and at present because of the lack of safe commuter parking and disabled spots is not able to use this transport facility. This situation alone has legal implications. This is an extremely urgent situation that demands an immediate response from government. The local community is extremely concerned about the situation and it will have electoral impact for the incumbent government.