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COMMUTER CAR PARKING IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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There is obviously an absolute disconnect between the NSW Planning, Transport and Environment Departments, the Federal Government and the needs of Local Government. The opening in October 2011 of the new Schofields Railway Station without adequate parking, by the then Transport Minister Gladys Berejiklian (currently NSW Premier), is a case in point.

Despite being located next to a disused airfield, then owned by the Federal Government, in six years the NSW Government has made no effort to accommodate the public transport needs of the increase in population for which their own planning department is responsible.

On Gladys Berejiklian's watch, both as NSW Minister for Transport and as Premier, the disused airfield is now in the hands of developers.

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However, the effect on the rate paying and tax paying public is the same. The buck stops with the NSW State Government. Nothing less than a Royal Commission is required, but we will probably all be dead by then. (God help us if we become a Republic before we get a Bill of Rights)