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## **THE TRANSPORT NEEDS OF SYDNEY'S NORTH-WEST SECTOR**

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It's time the voice of the taxpayers of northwest Sydney was heard and listened to. Having lived in the area for over 15 years, I have witnessed an increase in vehicle reliance whereby it is indispensable for adult family members to purchase a car as this is their only source of reliable transport in the area. Spiralling debt includes increased car registration fees and insurance, progressively increasing toll fees, petrol and traffic. All these factors put undue stress on achieving leisure and family time. These stressors have a lasting effect on individuals, their families and on the community as a whole. All areas of life are compromised and what of the consequences that our neglect has on our young children as a result of our diminished quality time with them. It impacts the whole of society. All the rushing around to make ends meet, to be at work on time, to pick up the kids from daycare on time etc. etc.etc. It gets out of control! Children get out of control because they lack the caring role models that need to be present and focused in their day to day care. These role models don't have time to be with their loved ones because they are too busy chasing and fighting daily traffic, tallying tolls, collecting petrol vouchers and working longer hours to pay for the never-ending spiral of debt. Parents are doing the best they can for the times and they need support. Northwest Sydney demands a metro/ rail system and it is truly overdue. We hope that our voice rings a resonant chord with the ministers who represent our best interest.