Evans Street Carpark Closure – Alternatives

Ms JOHNSTON question to MINISTER for INFRASTRUCTURE and TRANSPORT

My constituent question is from Don, who asks: if the stadium goes ahead, the Evans Street car park will be closed, but for years it has served staff of the Royal Hobart Hospital and Hobart Private Hospital, waterfront restaurants and accommodation venues, musicians and crew of the TSO and the public. The Argyle Street car park closes at 10 p.m. which rules it out for shift workers and evening staff and is often closed before TSO performances are finished. The Government has known this loss was coming, yet nurses and other hospital staff are already struggling to find safe, accessible parking near work. Minister, the Government is building additional staff parking for Launceston General Hospital while Royal Hobart staff go without. What will you do, including working with the council to replace the parking lost at Evans Street?