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Topic: Allocation of Car Parks

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Senator Wong asked:

1. How many staff of the Department of the Senate are allocated a car park at Parliament House?
2. Please detail each position entitled to a car park and the location of this car park.
3. Who makes the decision about who is entitled to an allocated car park?
4. Who makes the decision on the location of these parks?

Answer:

1. Six
2. The Clerk of the Senate and Deputy Clerk of the Senate are allocated spaces in the Senators' Car Park. The Clerk Assistant - Committees, Clerk Assistant – Table, Clerk Assistant – Procedure and the Usher of the Black Rod are allocated spaces in the Senate Car Park.
3. and 4. Historically, spaces have been allocated to the Clerk and Deputy Clerk of the Senate in the Senators' Car Park, and five spaces have been allocated to the Department of the Senate which have been used by SES officers and service vehicles. In the past, the Usher of the Black Rod was responsible for the allocation and location of spaces in the Senate side car parks. However, the responsibility for car parks was transferred to the Department of Parliamentary Services in June 2015 and the Black Rod no longer has responsibilities in relation to the car parks. At this time, the allocation of spaces for the Clerk and Deputy Clerk in the Senator's Car Park, and five spaces reserved for the Department of the Senate in the Senate Car Park, was confirmed by the President. The Clerk of the Senate has continued the existing allocation of spaces to the SES officers referred to above.