

## 11. DORSET STREET: PARKING RESTRICTION P120

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The purpose of this report is for the Board to consider extending the existing “P120” parking restriction along the north side of Dorset Street west of Dublin Street (see attached plan).

### BACKGROUND

A resident recently enquired about the possibility of extending an existing “P120” parking restriction in Dorset Street to cater for visitor parking in a high density residential area bordering a business zone. Some time ago a short section of “P120” parking was created adjacent to an accommodation house west of Dublin Street.

Observations confirm that during most periods of the day, there is very little kerbside parking available for visitors, although a short section of “P60” parking is available in Dublin Street at Bealey Avenue and in Dorset Street near Victoria Street. Many residents do not have off-street parking facilities and there are two areas where “residents only” parking areas have been established. As a consequence of the lack of parking availability in the area, many drivers park their cars on the broken yellow “no stopping” lines at the Dublin Street/Dorset Street intersection.

### DISCUSSION

Due to the number of businesses in the area, there needs to be a balance between the “all day” parking demand and kerbside space for visitors to the area. If parking restrictions are to be extended in the area then a mix between “P60” and “P120” parking is desirable. If the extension of the “P120” parking is approved, it would be the City Streets Unit intention to mark out the available (time limit) parking spaces with parking limit lines so that motorists will be able to clearly understand where they can safely leave their vehicles for limited amounts of time.

### CONCLUSION

Visitors to the area experience difficulty in finding kerbside parking space during most times of the business week. There needs to be some extension to the time limit parking restrictions in Dorset Street in particular along with the marking out of individual spaces where appropriate.

#### Staff

- Recommendation:**
1. That the “P120” parking restriction on the northern side of Dorset Street commencing at a point 39.5 m from its intersection from Dublin Street and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 18.5 m be revoked.
  2. That the parking of vehicles be restricted to a maximum period of 120 minutes along the north side of Dorset Street commencing at a point 8.5 m from its intersection with Dublin Street and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 49.5 m.

The Parking Manager agrees with this recommendation.

#### Chairperson’s

**Recommendation:** That the recommendation be adopted.