

#### 4. BISHOPDALE MALL - “DISABLED PERSONS” PARKING RESTRICTION

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##### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval for the conversion of two existing parking spaces in Bishopdale Mall outside the library, to “Operation Mobility” parking spaces.

##### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Council has received complaints from Mall customers concerning the lack of dedicated disabled spaces at the southern end of the Mall.
3. These complaints have been investigated and it has been identified that the four existing disabled spaces at the southern end outside the library experience a high occupancy during most of the mall opening hours.
4. Two options were considered including the “status quo” (refer **attachment**).
5. The views of affected persons have been obtained (refer **attachment**).
6. The conversion of two unrestricted spaces to dedicated disabled spaces is the most cost effective and practical solution to the problem.

##### FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. **Cost**  
“Operation Mobility signs, markings and installation = less than \$500.
8. **Legal Considerations**  
Provided for in The Traffic Regulations 1976 Section 35.

##### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board agree:

- (a) That the parking of vehicles be restricted to those vehicles displaying a current operation mobility card only, within the southern most car parking area of the Bishopdale Mall, immediately adjacent the Library, from a point 120 metres in a westerly direction from the kerb line of Farrington Avenue and extending 5.6 metres in a westerly direction.

##### CHAIRMAN’S RECOMMENDATION

That the above recommendation be adopted.