10. ST ASAPH STREET – PROPOSED P120 PARKING RESTRICTION ON EXISTING MOBILITY PARKING SPACE

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval for a P120 parking restriction on the existing mobility parking space on the northern side of St Asaph Street located directly opposite the Canterbury Brewery (refer attachment).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The Council has received a number of complaints from hospital staff who have indicated that the existing mobility parking space located on St Asaph Street just beyond the Antigua Street intersection and directly opposite the Canterbury Brewery is often occupied by a single vehicle for the entirety of any given day.
- 3. The vast majority of mobility parking spaces throughout the City are controlled by a time restriction such that they provide an adequate timeframe to suit particular needs whilst at the same time providing parking for a number of people. In this instance the absence of a time restriction on the parking space has meant that it is often utilised by a single vehicle for an entire day. This in turn has meant that the parking space has effectively been out of use to others requiring it.
- 4. The Council receives regular requests for parking restrictions throughout the City. These requests are managed with reference to the *"Parking Strategy"*. This strategy provides a sound basis for determining what priority to give a particular request in the context of the conflicting demands on kerbside space.
- 5. In this case, as the request is located within a commercial area, *"Parking for people with disabilities"* is fourth in priority for kerbside space, ahead of commuter parking which is given least priority. The use of the space as a P120 mobility parking area would not be contrary to the priorities set out in the Council's Parking Strategy with reference to kerbside parking.
- 6. The conversion of the existing unrestricted mobility parking space to a "P120 Vehicles Displaying an Operation Mobility Card Only" parking restriction is considered the most cost effective and practicable solution.
- 7. The views of affected parties have been obtained and support has been forthcoming.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

8. **Cost**

Signage is within the existing operational budget.

9. Legal

Land Transport Rule, Road User 2004 Rule 61001. Broken Yellow Lines and Parking Restrictions. Part 6 Stopping and Parking.

Land Transport Rule, Traffic Control Devices 2004 Rule 54002. Broken Yellow Lines and Parking Restrictions. Section 12 Stopping, Standing and Parking.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Board agree that:

- (a) The parking of vehicles be restricted to a maximum of 120 minutes for vehicles displaying an operation mobility card only in the following location.
- (b) The northern side of St Asaph Street from a point 37.3 metres west of the Antigua Street intersection and extending 12.4 metres in a westerly direction.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.