

Item 12

Questions on Notice with Answers

1. 24 Hour Trading Approvals

By Councillor Arkins

Question

Since the Late Night Development Control Plan (DCP) came into effect in 2018:

1. How many development applications for businesses seeking 24-hour trading hours have been approved across the City of Sydney?
2. What criteria do City staff use when assessing applications for 24-hour trading hours?

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Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

1. There have been 218 applications (development applications (DA) and Modification to DA consents) for 24-hour trading approved since January 2019 (note the current controls came in on 14 December 2018).

Types of venues include:

- Pubs, Hotels and restricted premises
 - Restaurants and take-away premises
 - Cyber café and snooker halls
 - Convenience stores, Laundromats
 - Gyms and recreation facilities
 - Theatre, event rental services, artist and function spaces
 - Distribution centres, and supermarkets.
2. The City of Sydney assess proposals against the provisions contained within Section 3.15 Late Night Management of the [City of Sydney Development Control Plan 2012](#).

The provisions identify late night trading areas, categorise uses based on their likely impact and apply base hours and extended hours based on their location.

Matters for consideration when assessing extended hours are contained in Section 3.15.3 of the [Sydney Development Control Plan 2012](#) - Section 3: General provisions. These matters for consideration provide the basis for a consistent approach to the determination of appropriate trading hours and create greater certainty for the community and proponents of late night trading premises.

In addition, we consider submissions made following notification including any comments from external referrals such as the Police.