



## Organic Food Markets

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BY HAND

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Dear Sir/madam

**Section 96:** DA2019/0123 – Mona Vale Market

**Proposed Change:** Change in opening time.  
Access for traders at 6 am (currently 7am).  
Start of trading time at 7:30 am (currently 8:30 am).

**Address:** Lot 26 DP 654262, 80-82 Mona Vale Road, MONA  
VALE, NSW

This market has now been in operation for 10 weeks.

There was some natural concern that the market would bring noise, traffic and disturbance into the area particularly early in the morning.

As a consequence the opening times were set at 7 am for trader access and 8:30 am for trading.

These times are much later than traditional market times where 'food' markets normally commence early in the morning.

Experience has shown that the market does not impinge on the local area or streets in the early morning and the site is actually well secluded from its neighbours. There are still one or two local residents who appear to continue to complain but we have no doubt that the Rangers reports will confirm the truth of this statement.

On the other hand many customers are being frustrated by arriving at the site at 7:30 or 8 am and being refused service and traders are losing a significant amount of

trading time. Normally markets would operate for five or six hours. Currently the market operates for four hours.

The market is proving very popular and it is important it be given the chance to prosper or it may fail with a significant loss of amenity to the local community.

This variation request a move to five hours and is expected to have no environmental impact as the current bump in does not create any environmental problems.

Regards

**Organic Food Markets**

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**Stephen Choularton, PhD, FioD, *Director***

