

Proposed Changes to Retail Trading

Previous reviews and decisions for this period relating to the extension of Retail Trading Hours in Busselton is summarised as follows:

2010

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 27 October 2010, Council resolved (C1010/372):

1. *That the Council approve the temporary adjustment to the Retail Trading Hours from November 2010 for the shopping precinct for the Shire of Busselton as follows:*
 - a. *Seasonal trading period with the same hours as the Department of Commerce approved Christmas trading hours for the period from Monday 29 November 2010 until 31 December 2010*
 - b. *That the trading hours on Sunday 5 December 2010 be extended to 9pm to coincide with the Ironman event.*

The Department of Commerce approved Christmas trading hours comprised of weekday trading from 8.00am to 9.00pm, Saturday trading from 8.00am to 5.00pm and Sunday trading from 10.00am to 5.00pm, from 29 November 2010 to 31 December 2010.

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 10 November 2010, Council resolved (C1011/387):

That the Council does not approve extended trading hours in January 2011, and the trading hours to remain as they are now.

2011

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 10 August 2011, Council resolved (C1108/248):

That the Council:

- (a) *Endorses the preferred proposed year-round extensions to the retail trading hours in Busselton, on a seven day per week basis, to be reviewed in 12-months:*

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 8.00am to 7.00pm;

Thursday from 8.00am to 9.00pm;

Saturday from 8.00am to 6.00pm;

Sunday and Public Holidays from 10.00am to 6.00pm;

ANZAC Day from 1.00pm to 6.00pm.

- (b) *Request that the CEO seek community feedback on the preferred proposed retail trading hours and present a report back to Council prior to an application being made to the Department of Commerce.*

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 12 October 2011, Council resolved (C1110/313):

That the Council:

- a) *Make application to the Department of Commerce for year-round extensions to the retail trading hours in Busselton, based on a seven day per week basis:*

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 8.00am to 7.00pm;

*Thursday from 8.00am to 9.00pm;
Saturday from 8.00am to 6.00pm;
Sunday and Public Holidays from 10.00am to 6.00pm;
ANZAC Day from 1.00pm to 6.00pm.*

- (b) *Request that the CEO review the extended retail trading hours in twelve months time and present a report back to Council.*

2012

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 12 December 2012, Council resolved (C1212/348):

That the Council endorses the current retail trading hours for Busselton:

*Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 8.00am to 7.00pm;
Thursday from 8.00am to 9.00pm;
Saturday from 8.00am to 6.00pm;
Sunday and Public Holidays from 10.00am to 6.00pm;*

Excluding Good Friday, ANZAC Day and Christmas Day.

2013

The City advertised its intention to extend Retail Trading Hours for the Holiday and Event season, commencing 9 December 2013 to 3 January 2014. This was undertaken in consultation with the BCCI who supported the proposal. No submissions were received and a successful application was subsequently received from the Department of Commerce approving the following extension;

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday from 8.00am to 9.00pm;
Thursday from 8.00am to 9.00pm (no change);
Saturday from 8.00am to 6.00pm;
Sunday and Public Holidays from 10.00am to 6.00pm;
Christmas Day Closed.

2014

The City of Busselton, in consultation with Busselton Chamber of Commerce and Industry, consulted on a proposal for year-round extended trading hours. The proposal incorporated specific trading hours to bring Busselton more in line with Dunsborough as follows;

Monday to Sunday from 8.00am to 9.00pm
ANZAC Day from 1.00pm to 9.00pm
Christmas Day and Good Friday closed.

An application was made to the then Minister for Commerce in 2014, following extensive consultation and a Variation Order for Busselton was approved in 2015.

In 2014 the City, in consultation with the Busselton Chamber of Commerce and Industry, made an application to the then Minister for Commerce to permanently extend the Busselton town site retail trading hours to create uniform, permanent annual trading hours. The current retail trading hours for the City of Busselton town site shopping precincts are as follows:

Busselton Retail Trading Hours (town)

- Monday – Friday 8.00am to 9.00pm;
- Saturday from 8.00am to 9.00pm;
- Sunday and Public Holidays from 8.00am to 9.00pm;

- Closed on Christmas Day, Good Friday and until 1.00pm on ANZAC Day.

Dunsborough Retail Trading Hours

- Monday to Sunday from 8.00am to 9.00pm inclusive of ALL Public Holidays (including Good Friday, ANZAC Day and Christmas Day).