

Community FAQ's – Future of the Markets



1. Are the markets closing?

No. The markets are **not closing**. The markets will continue to operate under the current Development Approval (DA), which remains valid until **December 2026**.

2. Will the markets continue as normal in 2026?

Yes. It is **business as usual throughout 2026**. The markets will continue to operate as scheduled, with a continued focus on maintaining a vibrant and welcoming community experience.

3. Why is the DA not being renewed?

The decision not to renew the DA is due to personal and operational circumstances. It is not a reflection of the success, popularity, value, or quality of the markets or the people who contribute to them.

4. Will this affect visitors, stallholders, or vendors right now?

No. There is no immediate impact on visitors, stallholders, vendors, or the operation of the markets. Existing arrangements remain in place, and the markets will continue to run as usual under the current DA.

5. Is the market being sold or handed over now?

No. There is **no immediate change** to ownership or management. However, should an individual or organisation wish to take over the operation of the markets beyond December 2026, we are open to supporting that process to help ensure continuity of the markets.

6. What support would be offered to a future operator?

Support may include:

- A handover of market operations
- The option to purchase existing market equipment

This is intended to support a smooth transition and the continued operation of the markets into the future.

7. Who can I contact if I have questions?

Please contact contact@suttonvillagecountrymarkets.com.au if you would like further information or clarification.