# Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2019-20

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### CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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## **Question**:

Please advise on the number of applications for revision of layout plans submitted by restaurant licensees and the number of applications approved in 2016, 2017 and 2018 respectively. Please also set out in tabular form the average, longest and shortest time taken for processing an application in each of the above 3 years.

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Yu-yan, Tommy (LegCo internal reference no.: 9)

### Reply:

In 2016, 2017 and 2018, there were 466, 441 and 553 applications respectively for alteration to the approved layout of licensed restaurants. The corresponding number of approvals was 363, 318 and 285 respectively. Processing of some applications received in a year may not be completed in the same year. The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department does not keep separate statistics on the average, longest and shortest time taken for processing an application for alteration to the approved layout.

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