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# Alcohol and Entertainment Licensing Sub-Committee

## Tuesday 10 November 2026 at 10.00 am
virtual via Zoom

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| **Members** Councillors: | **Substitute Members:** Councillors: |
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****Personal Interests:**

The business relates to or affects:

(a) Anybody of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management, and:

- To which you are appointed by the council;
- which exercises functions of a public nature;
- which is directed is to charitable purposes;
- whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion or policy (including a political party of trade union).

(b) The interests a of a person from whom you have received gifts or hospitality of at least £50 as a member in the municipal year;

or

A decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting the well-being or financial position of:

- You yourself;
- a member of your family or your friend or any person with whom you have a close association or any person or body who is the subject of a registrable personal interest.

# Agenda

Introductions, if appropriate.

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| 1 | **Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members** | |
| 2 | **Declarations of Interests**<br><br>Members are invited to declare at this stage of the meeting, the nature and existence of any relevant disclosable pecuniary or personal interests in the items on this agenda and to specify the item(s) to which they relate. | |
| 3 | **Application for the Review a Premises Licence following a Closure Order by Metropolitan Police for the premises known as Wazir Food & Wine, 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD, pursuant to the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003** | 1 - 32 |

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# LICENSING ACT 2003

## Application for the Review a Premises Licence following a Closure Order

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| Name of Applicant: | Metropolitan Police |
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| Name & Address of Premises: | Wazir Food & Wine, 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD |
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| Applicants Agent: | |
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**1. Application**

The application is for the review of a premises licence following a closure order. The licence is held by Balwinder Singh Ghaba. The premises are known as Wazir Food & Wine, 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD.

**2. Grounds for Review**

The grounds for review are the Prevention of Crime & Disorder and the Prevention of Public Nuisance.

The premises has been causing anti-social behaviour affecting the public.

**3. Relevant Representations**

Representations have been received from the Licensing Officer and The College of North West London.

**4. Background**

The Metropolitan Police have been granted a Closure Order under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 by Brent Magistrates Court for a period of 6 weeks ending on 21 September 2026. This review hearing is triggered automatically under the terms of section 167 of the Licensing Act 2003.

These premises are currently licensed for the sale of alcohol from 8.30am to 11.00pm Monday to Saturday and from 10.30am to 11.00pm Sunday.

The Designated Premises Supervisor at the premises is Mr Balwinder Singh Ghaba.

**5.** When hearing a review the Committee if satisfied that additional measures are required to satisfy the four licensing objectives they may:

- Modify, remove or add conditions
- Exclude one or more of the licensable activities
- Remove the Designated Premises Supervisor
- Suspend the licence for a period not exceeding 3 months
- Revoke the licence

**6. Associated Papers**

A. Closure Order
B. Licensing Rep
C. CNWL Rep
D. Current Licence
E. OS Map

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## ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, CRIME AND POLICING ACT 2014
## PART 4, CHAPTER 3

# CLOSURE NOTICE

**Re:** Wazir Food & Wine 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD

Having reasonable grounds to be satisfied that:
(a) the use of these premises has resulted, or (if the Notice is not issued) is likely soon to result, in nuisance to members of the public, or
(b) that there has been, or (if the Notice is not issued) is likely soon to be disorder near those premises associated with the use of those premises, and
(c) that the Closure Notice is necessary to prevent the nuisance or disorder from continuing, recurring or occurring; and
(d) all appropriate persons / bodies have been consulted; and
(e) reasonable efforts have been made to inform people who live on the premises (habitually or not), and any person who has control of, or responsibility for, the premises or who has an interest in them, that the Notice is going to be issued.
I, Jon CARL Acting Inspector, Metropolitan Police, hereby authorise the issue of this **Closure Notice** under Part 4, Chapter 3, Section 76 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, in respect of the Premises specified above.

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| **Name:** | Jon CARL | | |
| **Signed:** | [redacted] | **Dated:** | 14/07/26 |

**The effect of this Closure Notice is that: accessing this address is hereby PROHIBITED for any persons other than the lawful tenant/owner and Permitted Occupiers or those specified below, for a period of up to 24 hours starting at 1600 hours, on Wednesday 22nd of July 2026 and ending at 1600 hours, on Thursday 23rd of July 2026– subject to the following exceptions:**

- **Health/Care workers on official visits;**
- **Emergency Services;**
- **Council/BT/Water/Electricity/Gas officials**
- **Essential utility workers;**
- **Official letting, property or housing agency staff on official visits.**

An application for a Closure Order will be made under Part 4, Chapter 3, and section 80 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 for the closure of the Premises specified above.

To be heard at Willesden Magistrates Court on Thursday 23rd of July 2026 at 1000 hours, when evidence for the issue of a Closure Order will be considered.

A Closure Order under section 80 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, would have the effect of closing the premises to all persons for a specified period (not exceeding three months).

- A person who without reasonable excuse remains on or enters premises in contravention of a closure notice commits an offence under section 86 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, liable on summary conviction to a maximum of three months' imprisonment and / or an unlimited fine.
- A person who without reasonable excuse remains on or enters premises in contravention of a closure order commits an offence under section 86 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, liable on summary conviction to imprisonment not exceeding 51 weeks and / or an unlimited fine.
- Advice relating to this Notice and housing and legal matters generally can be obtained from any firm of solicitors or from the Citizens' Advice Bureau (Tel. 020 8438 1249 ). With this notice is a list of additional local service providers who may be able to assist with further advice.
- Licensed Premises - if this Notice relates to licensed premises and a Closure Order is successfully obtained at magistrates' court in relation to the premises, then the relevant licensing authority will be informed, who will then instigate a review of the premises license - section 167 of the Licensing Act 2003, refers.

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# Closure Order

## (Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 - Part 4, Chapter 3, Section 80)

insert court - **Willesden Magistrates Court**

Sitting at – **448 High Road, London, NW10 2DZ**

(Code 2571 )

Date: Thursday 23rd of July 2026

Address: **Wazir Food & Wine 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD**

On application of the **Metropolitan Police Service**: [redacted]

Name of Applicant Authority: **Metropolitan Police Service**

Address of Applicant Authority: 76 Craven Park, London NW10 4AE

This court is satisfied that (tick the relevant box):

(a) a person has engaged, or (if the order is not made) is likely to engage, in disorderly, offensive or criminal behaviour on the premises, or ☐

(b) the use of the premises has resulted, or (if the order is not made) is likely to result, in serious nuisance to members of the public, or ☑

(c) there has been, or (if the order is not made) is likely to be, disorder near those premises associated with the use of those premises, ☑

and that the order is necessary to prevent the behaviour, nuisance or disorder from continuing, recurring or occurring.

2.

Accordingly, a **Closure Order** is made, pursuant to Section 80 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, in respect of the address specified above

A Closure Order is an order prohibiting access to the premises for a period specified in the order

This Closure Order prohibits access by all persons (except those specified or those of a specified description) at all times (unless specified) in all circumstances (unless specified), for a period of (maximum of three months)

**Starting at** 13:04 **hours on Thursday 6th of August 2026 and ending at** 23:59 **hours on ~~Friday 23rd of October 2026~~** 21 September 2026

Subject to the following exceptions:

**- The owner or any employee ONLY while under direct police supervision;**

**- Emergency Services;**

**- BT/Water/Electricity/Gas and other utility workers on official business;**

**- Representatives of the Landlord whose presence relates to the maintenance of the building;**

A person who without reasonable excuse remains on or enters premises in contravention of a Closure Order commits an offence under section 86 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, liable on summary conviction to imprisonment not exceeding 51 weeks and / or an unlimited fine.

~~District Judge~~ / Justice of the Peace

[By order of the clerk of the court]

[redacted]

Date: 6th AUG 2026

Continuation of Statement of: [redacted]

# STATEMENT OF WITNESS

*(Criminal Procedure Rules, r. 16.2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9)*

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Statement of: [redacted]
Age if under 18: Over 18
Occupation: Police Constable

This statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it, anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature: [redacted]
Date: 23rd of July 2026

This statement refers to my Closure Order application being made with regards to Wazir Food & Wine 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD

I am [redacted], attached to Harlesden Town Center Team, based out of Harlesden Police Station.

The role of the Town Centre Team is to identify local problems such as anti-social behaviour, provide a visible policing presence and to tackle local issues. Once anti-social behaviour or other local issues are identified our team attempts to deal with the issue. This includes using a range of legislation, warrants or referrals to local agencies such as Brent Council.

This statement details the available reports I have researched regarding this address and my own personal knowledge about it and its issues. The reports below are only summarised both to protect individual's personal information and operational security. The reports range over the last year and a half, as this has been a long-term and ongoing issue.

Below are the listed reports I have found which relate to the issues at the address.

**Stop and Searches:**

01/5029075/26 – 02/02/2026 – Male was seen loitering near the shop and had come and gone 4 times on a bicycle. Due to reports of drug dealing in the area and no satisfactory reason to be loitering, he was searched. Nothing found.

01/5029093/26 – 02/02/2026 – Male was seen sat outside the Wazir Food & Wine. Due to being drugs hotspot and giving changing reasons to be in area, he was searched. Nothing found.

Witness Signature: [redacted]

Continuation of Statement of: [redacted]

01/5029891/26 – 03/02/2026 – A group of three males were seen by TSG officers watching members of the public as if to size them up for robberies. Upon officers arriving, male turned around and fled into the shop to hide. Property seized from vehicle attributed to one of the males.

01/5043552/26 – 14/02/2026 – patrolling officers noticed a group of males loitering outside the shop and paying close attention to police. Stopped and searched for knives due to recent gang tensions. Nothing found.

01/5177363/26 – 14/05/2026 – 15 males seen loitering outside the shop, paying close attention to police as they passed. Due to recent intel on increased gang tensions and the hiding of weapons nearby, entire group was stopped and searched. Male searched had nothing found.

01/5177498/26 – 14/05/2026 – same situation as previous report. Further information gleaned from grounds namely that a member of public pointed the group out to officers and said they had seen them dealing drugs.

**Intel:**

01/6021208/25 – 1AP – 21/01/2025
Report states drugs are being stored at Wazir Food & Drink and being dealt by Somalian males on the corner outside the shop.

01/6163953/25 – 1AP – 14/06/2025
This intel report details how officers saw CCTV of suspected drug dealing on the corner outside Wazir Food and Wine. The males were seen exchanging bags of white powder and were also seen in and out of the shop multiple times.

01/6171454/25 – 1AP – 21/06/2025
A call to police about two males chasing another with a machete has caused armed police to patrol the area around Cooper Road after one of the machete wielding males were. One of the males has been seen loitering outside Wazir Food & Wine.
One of these males was found with a large quantity of cash, which another male tried to take ownership for, and a mobile phone he was desperately trying to hand off to someone else. While officers were trying to get CCTV from the shop, the group of males outside were attempting to intimidate the shopkeeper into withholding it and required an officer to physically block the doorway to ensure the shopkeeper's safety. It is very likely this group of males is dealing drugs out of Wazir Food & Wine, possibly against the shopkeeper's consent or knowledge.

01/6334097/25 – 1AP – 25/11/2025
Following a stabbing outside Dollis Hill Underground Station, officers viewed CCTV and saw a large number of males loitering around the Wazir Food & Wine. These males were seen performing suspected drug deals, carrying small bags and cash in and out of the shop and,

Witness Signature: [redacted]

Continuation of Statement of: [redacted]

while officers were speaking to nearby residents, some of the same males were keeping a close watch on the officers and moving plastic carrier bags around the area. All these males were either IC3 or IC4 with London accents.

01/6202114/26 – 1AP – 09/05/2026
While dealing with a group of young males outside the Wazir Food & Wine shop, a crowd has gathered. One officer saw a brown baseball bat being kept behind the counter, possibly as they fear violence, or else at the demand of the males who commonly loiter in the area.

01/6215143 – 1AP – 19/05/2026
An anonymous source has said she was in the Wazir Food & Wine shop when she saw one of the males who loiter outside enter and offer cannabis to the shop's owner, who took it.

01/6230323/26 – 1AP – 02/06/2026
One of the males who regularly loiters on the corner outside Wazir Food & Wine was seen leaving the shop with a small wrapped black plastic bag and then went halfway down Cooper Road and hid it underneath a car. Given what is known to occur in this area and the behaviour shown, it is assumed this was drugs.

These reports consist of both stop and searches and intelligence reports. The stop and search grounds all reveal a strikingly similar pattern of behaviour, namely that a group of apparently drug dealing youths, sometimes up to 15 strong, are routinely loitering outside the shop, paying close attention to members of public that pass by and also to police as they patrol. The intel reports expand on this, reinforcing the link to drug dealing and other violent gang activity. Alongside the direct ASB this causes, it proliferates the secondary ASB caused by the consumption of drugs, fear of gang violence and acquisitive crime that follows. A closure order would displace this activity to a less advantageous location for the gang, allowing police officers to more effectively tackle the criminal elements. In addition, it would assist in protecting the shop owner and their staff from potential reprisals from gang members or other opportunistic crime.

A warrant was executed on this address yesterday on the 22nd of July. In this warrant no drugs were found however there was an amount of drug paraphernalia. Some of this was on sale with clear official advertising and packaging, however there was one other find which was not official. A blue plastic carrier bag placed in plain view on top of a drinks cooler. Inside were dozens if not hundreds of small, plastic snap-bags apparently imported from America. The only reason these would be on the premises is they were stored there by drug dealers hoping to keep anything incriminating off their person. No drugs were found alongside however the group that routinely loiters was not present at the time of the warrant.

In addition to the intel, my own personal experience of the shop and the surrounding area is as follows. I have worked nearby this area extensively for over five years now and have seen and dealt with the loitering and drug activity going on outside this shop for the same amount of time. It has been an ongoing issue that has also been brought up to me in person by many

Witness Signature: [redacted]

locals and other business owners. It is incredibly common, to the point of it being a majority of the time, that if we pass this shop one or more youths are congregating by the side or the entrance. It is equally common that we receive reports from eyewitnesses claiming drug dealing is happening at the time and when searched, nothing is found, likely as anything illegal is being sequestered in the store somewhere as is a common drug dealing tactic to evade detection.

It is unknown to what extent, if at all, the shop's owner and staff are involved in these activities. I find it difficult to believe, however, that it is occurring completely without their knowledge and at least implicit consent. Regarding the blue plastic bag filled with snap-bags that was found in the recent warrant execution, it was in a prominent location, directly in the line of sight of the tills and would have been impossible to miss either being placed there or noticing it's presence. It is for this reason, that I suggest a full closure order of the address. A caveat has been suggested in that store employees might be allowed access to the building under the supervision of police officers, so as to prevent any further unlawful activity from taking place by intimidated or bribed employees and minimise the impact such a closure would have on the store itself.

# WITNESS STATEMENT

**Criminal Procedure Rules, r 27. 2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9; Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.5B**

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Statement of: [redacted]

Age if under 18: Over 18 *(if over 18 insert 'over 18')* Occupation: Police Officer

This statement (consisting of 1 page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Witness Signature: [redacted]……..... Date: 22/07/2026

This typed statement are my original notes commenced on WEDNESDAY 22ND JULY 2026, written as soon as practicable after the events described below in my statement. My notes were made alone, and my Body Worn Video was not consulted. My actions when dealing with this incident were captured on Body Worn Video, which is exhibited as TAK/01.

This statement refers to an incident where I posted a closure notice on the premises of the following location:
WAZIR FOOD AND WINE
97 DUDDEN HILL LANE
NW10 1BD

On WEDNESDAY 22ND JULY 2026 I was posted as NW925E in a marked police vehicle, I was in full uniform carrying my personal protective equipment, including baton and PAVA spray.

My duties for my shift were fulfilled as part of HARLESDEN TOWN CENTRE TEAM based at HARLESDEN POLICE STATION. We were conducting a warrant at the address above and after completing the search of the premises, I gave the worker a copy of the closure notice and posted this on the outside of the premises. I have photo'd this and attached the photos in an email sent to a colleague.

Witness Signature: [redacted]…….....

Signature Witnessed by Signature:…….....

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Mr Balwinder Singh Ghaba
44 Sandringham Road
Northolt
UB5 5HN

29 October 2026

Our Ref: 2026-2468

Dear Mr Balwinder Singh Ghaba,

**Licensing Representation to the Review Application for the Premises Licence at Wazir Food & Wine, 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD**

I certify that I have considered the application shown above and I wish to make a representation that the likely effect of the grant of the application is detrimental to the Licensing Objectives for the reasons indicated below.

This representation is made by an officer of the Licensing Authority, in whose area the premises are situated and authorised to exercise its statutory function as a 'Responsible Authority' under the Licensing Act 2003.

**The application has been made to review the premises licence under section 167 of the Act.**

The Licensing Authority representations are primarily concerned with the four licensing objectives;

- the prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- the prevention of public nuisance
- the protection of children from harm

## Background

The premises is located at 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD falling within the Willesden Green ward. It is situated among residential dwellings and commercial businesses including general grocery stores, takeaway food outlets and off-licences. The College of North West London (Willesden Campus) is also situated in close proximity to the premises.

## History

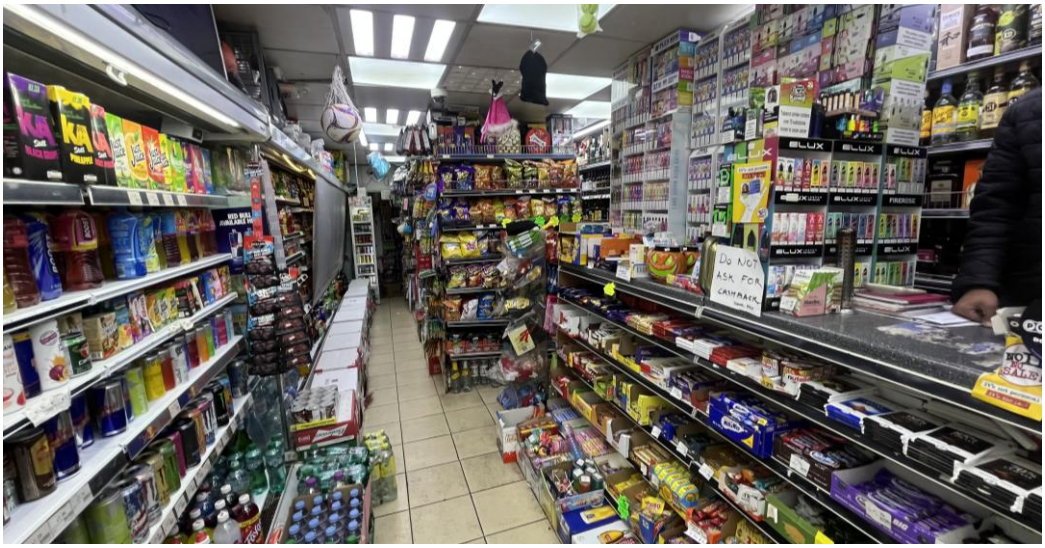
The premises licence was initially granted in November 2005.

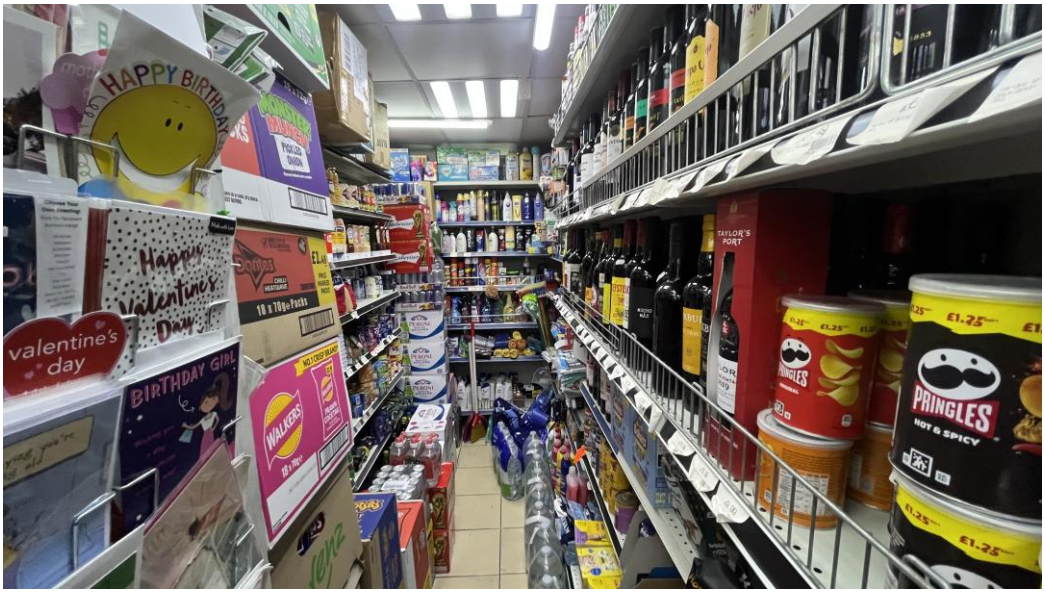
In June 2021, an application to transfer the premises licence and vary the designated premises supervisor (DPS) to Mr Balwinder Singh Ghaba was granted.

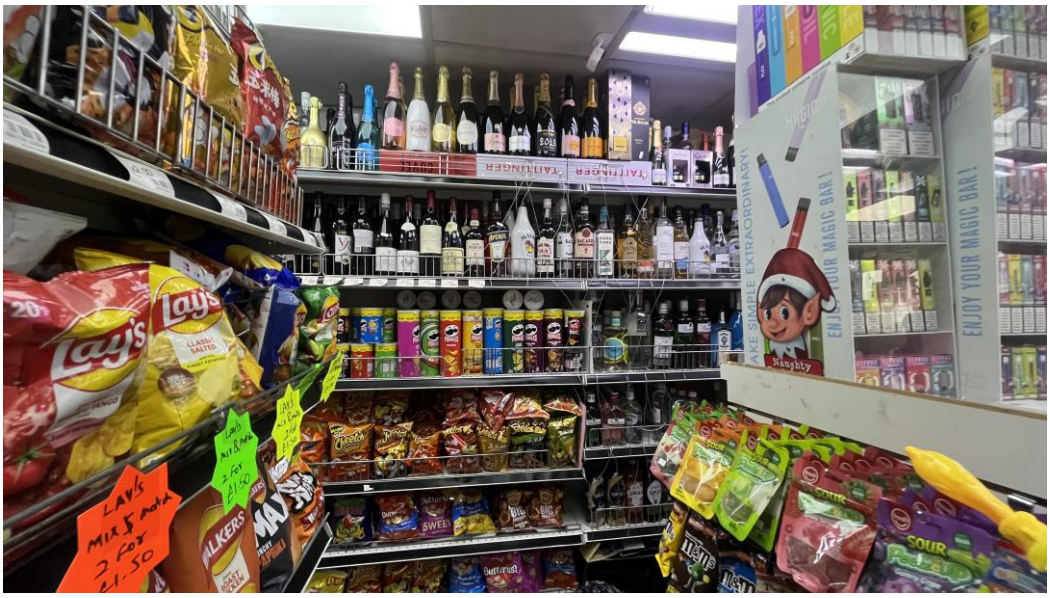
On Thursday 22 October 2026, a review of the premises licence was been initiated following the issue of a Closure Order under Section 80 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. The Closure Order was in force from 6 August 2026 until 21 September 2026.

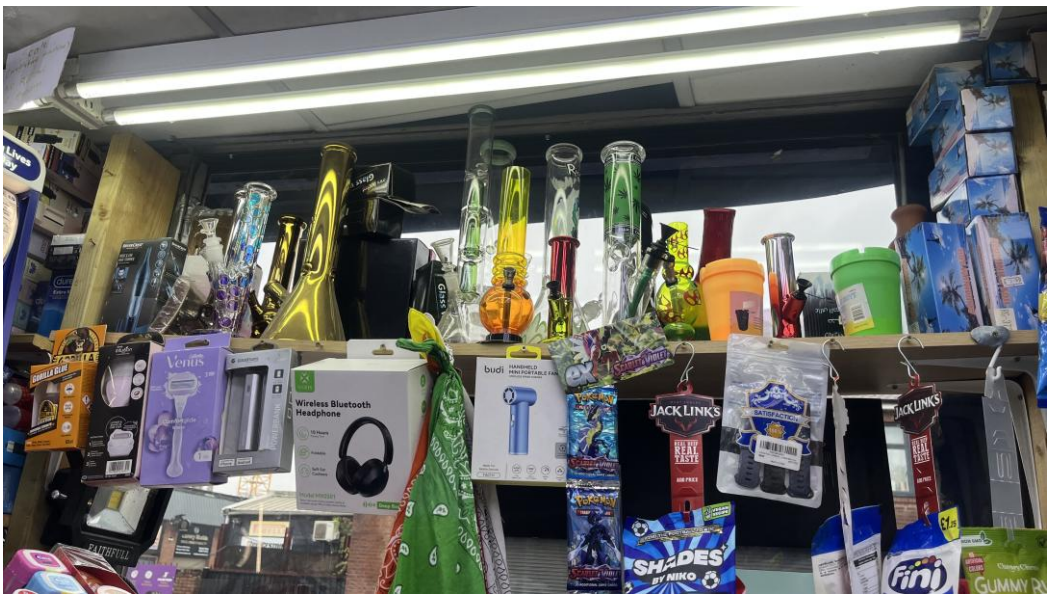
**Layout of Premises**








**Breach of Conditions**

On 23 October 2026, an inspection of the premises was carried out alongsied Trading Standards officers and a number of breaches of the premises licence conditions were identified, including:

- CCTV recordings were reported to be retained for only 30 days, contrary to the licence requirement of 31 days.
- No staff training records were available for inspection.
- Alcohol was not consistently labelled with the name of the premises.
- The cash safe unlocks immediately after use and not being operated as intended by the licence condition.
- No personal licence holder was present at the premises despite alcohol being displayed and available for sale.

A warning letter was issued on 28 October 2026. **(Exhibit RV01)**

A follow-up inspection was conducted on 24 October 2026, and I observed that Mr Abhikumar Thummar was again lone working behind the counter despite not holding a personal licence. I also observed that alcohol remained displayed and available for sale, notwithstanding the

instructions given during the previous inspection to cease alcohol sales and remove all alcohol from display until a personal licence holder was present.

The repeated failure to comply with licence conditions demonstrates poor management and a lack of effective control at the premises. It also demonstrates a failure to take appropriate steps to address the concerns raised.

**Recommendation**

Having considered the evidence of non-compliance detailed above, the Licensing Authority considers it appropriate and proportionate for the Licensing Sub-Committee to modify the conditions of the premises licence in order to promote the licensing objectives. The proposed conditions are set out below:

1. The premises shall operate and maintain a digital colour CCTV system. The CCTV system shall continually record whilst the premises are open for licensable activities, and all recordings shall be kept for 31 days.

2. The CCTV system shall capture clear images of every person entering or leaving the premises with further CCTV cameras covering the publicly accessible areas stipulated on the premises plan, including the frontage of the premises.

3. A member of staff trained in the use of the CCTV system shall be available at the premises at all times that the premises are open to the public. This member of staff shall be able to view, download and make copies of any CCTV footage made by the police or authorised officer(s).

4. CCTV footage shall be provided within 24 hours upon request by Police and any authorised officers from Brent Council, in a readily accessible format on removable media (I.e., USB, hard drive, CD etc..) or via digital transfer.

5. The CCTV system shall display the correct date and time on any footage.

6. Signage stating that CCTV is in operation shall be clearly and prominently displayed at the premises.

7. A logbook shall be kept recording all refused sales of alcohol. The log shall contain the time/date of the refusal, a description of the customer, the name of the staff member who refused the sale, the reason the sale was refused and any other relevant observation. The refusals register shall be made available for inspection upon request of an authorised officer of a Brent Council and the Police.

8. An incident log shall be kept at the premises, and made available for inspection on request to an authorised officer of Brent Council or the Police, which will record the following:

    a) all crimes reported to the venue
    b) all ejections of patrons
    c) any complaints received
    d) any faults in the CCTV system
    e) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service

    Any entries into the log shall be made within 24 hours of any incident and shall contain the time/date of the incident, the nature of the incident, a description of the people involved, the action taken and details of the person responsible for the management of the premises at the time of the incident.

9. Any staff directly involved in selling alcohol for retail to consumers, staff who provide training and all managers will undergo regular training (every 12 months) of Licensing Act 2003 legislation. This will be documented and signed for by the DPS and the member of staff receiving the training. This training shall be kept at the premises and made available immediately upon request to the police or authorised officers from Brent Council.

   The training records shall detail:-

   a) Staff member's name
   b) Staff member's signature
   c) Name of person providing the training
   d) Date of training
   e) Training on the licensing objectives
   f) Training on use of the incident log
   g) Training on refusal of sale
   h) Training on challenge 25 policy

10. A "Challenge 25" policy shall be adopted and adhered to. Acceptable proof of age shall include identification bearing the customer's photograph, date of birth and integral holographic mark or security measure. Suitable means of identification would include PASS approved proof of age card, photo-card driving licence and passport.

11. The premises licence holder shall ensure that all tills in operation at the premises automatically provide age-related prompts to staff to check the age of the buyer when alcoholic products are passed through the till, or entered onto the till, for sale

12. A notice stating "No proof of age – No sale" shall be displayed at the point of sale.

13. A notice asking customers to leave quietly from the premises shall be displayed by the exit/entrance.

14. A personal licence holder shall be present on the premises and supervise the sale of alcohol throughout the permitted hours for the sale of alcohol

15. No high strength beers, lagers, and ciders above 6.0% ABV shall be stocked or sold.

16. No miniature bottles of wine or spirits in units less than 20cl shall be stocked or sold at the premise.

17. No single cans of beer, lager or cider shall be stocked or sold at the premise.

18. All alcoholic products shall be clearly labelled or marked with the trading name of the premises.

19. Outside of the hours authorised for the sale of alcohol, all alcohol within the trading area is to be secured behind locked grills, locked screens or locked cabinet doors to prevent access to the alcohol by customers or staff.

20. All deliveries (to the premises) shall take place during the normal working day (i.e. 09:00 to 18:00 daily).

21. A lockable safe with deposit slot and anti-fishing mechanisms must be used at the counter till area in order to prevent crime.

22. A clear and unobstructed view into the premises shall be maintained at all times.

23. Invoices are to be produced to Police, a member of an appropriate authority or council officers upon request to evidence payment of duty on goods.

24. A copy of the premises licence summary including the hours which licensable activities are permitted shall be visible from the outside of each entrance to the premises.

In order for the Licensing Authority to withdraw this representation, please confirm in writing that your client accepts the above conditions and provide an amended plan by **Thursday 5 November 2026**.

Yours sincerely,



Rhea Vagarwal
Licensing Enforcement Officer
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Mr Balwinder Singh Ghaba
44 Sandringham Road
Northolt
UB5 5HN

28 October 2026

Our Ref: 2026-2468

Dear Mr Balwinder Singh Ghaba,

**Licensing Act 2003 – Breach of Premises Licence**
**Re: Wazir Food & Wine, 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD**

I write to confirm my inspection of the above premises on 23 October 2026 at approximately 11:07 hours. The inspection was conducted in the presence of your employee, Mr Abhikumar Thummar, together with Principal Trading Standards Officers, Paul Lee and Paul Harris.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Licensing Authority has triggered a review of the premises licence in respect of the above premises.

The review has been initiated following the issue of a Closure Order under Section 80 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. The Closure Order was in force from 6 August 2026 until 21 September 2026.

The Licensing Authority considers it appropriate to review the premises licence in light of the circumstances that led to the Closure Order and the information available as at 23 October 2026.

A copy of the Closure Order has been included within the review application. During the inspection on 23 October 2026, Mr Abhikumar Thummar signed to acknowledge receipt of the review application papers, which were served for your attention.

The review application will now proceed in accordance with the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003. Details of the review hearing will be provided in due course, and you will have the opportunity to submit representations and attend the hearing before the Licensing Sub-Committe

**Breaches of Premises Licence**

During my inspection it also became apparent that the following conditions attached to the premises licence were not being complied with:

Condition 1: CCTV shall be installed to Home Office Guidance standards and maintained in a good working condition and recordings shall be kept for 31 days and shall be made available to police and authorised Officers from Brent Council.

Comment:
Mr Abhikumar Thummar stated that CCTV recordings are retained for 30 days, which does not comply with the licence condition requiring recordings to be retained for 31 days.

Condition 9: Any staff directly involved in selling alcohol for retail to consumers, staff who provide training and all managers will undergo regular training (every 12 months) of Licensing Act 2003 legislation. This will be documented and signed for by the DPS and the member of staff receiving the training. This training log shall be kept on the premises and made available for inspection by police and relevant authorities upon request.

Comment:
Mr Abhikumar Thummar advised that he received training from the licence holder before commencing work however, no training records or documentation were available for inspection.

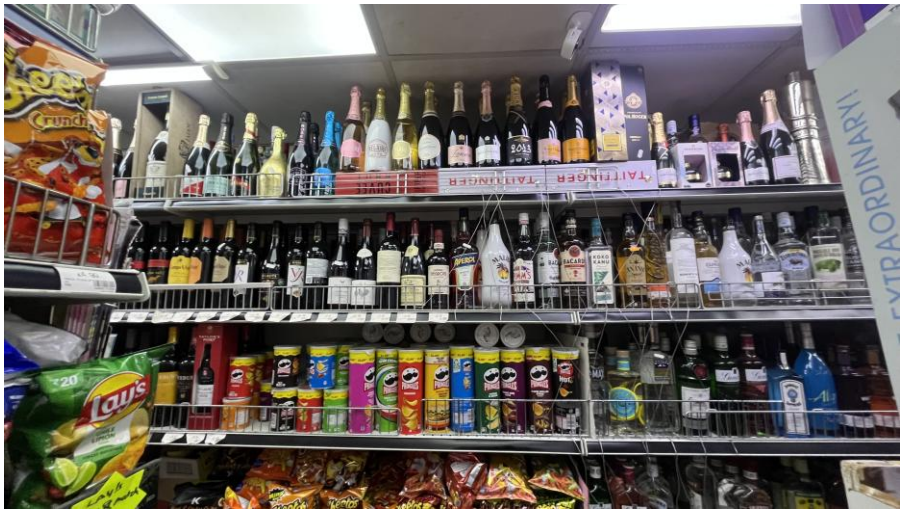
Condition 10: All alcoholic drinks shall be clearly labelled or marked with the name of the premises.

Comment:
Alcohol was not consistently labelled with the premises name, with only a small number of products marked.




Condition 16: A personal licence holder shall be present on the premises and supervise the sale of alcohol throughout the permitted hours for the sale of alcohol

Comment:
Mr Abhikumar Thummar was observed lone working and supervising the sale of alcohol. He confirmed that he does not hold a personal licence, and no personal licence holder was present at the premises. He was instructed to cease alcohol sales and remove alcohol from display. Mr Thummar advised that the premises would remain closed until the premises licence holder arrived approximately 20 minutes later.






Condition 18: A lockable safe with deposit slot and anti-fishing mechanisms must be used at the counter till area in order to prevent crime.

Comment:
Mr Abhikumar Thummar advised that the safe is unlocked immediately and therefore is not being used as intended to prevent access to cash.

Please see the enclosed document which provides further Licensing information, example incident/training logs and relevant posters.

**Follow-up Inspection**

I revisited the premises on Saturday 24 October 2026 at approximately 12:27hrs.

During this visit, Mr Abhikumar Thummar, was observed lone working behind the counter and I observed alcohol continued to be displayed and available for sale despite previously being advised.

**Offences**

Section 136 Licensing Act 2003 creates an offence of carrying on licensable activities otherwise than in accordance with an authorisation.

Section 137 Licensing Act 2003 creates an offence of keeping or exposing alcohol for retail sale where such sale is not authorised.

**Both offences are punishable by an unlimited fine and/or up to six months' imprisonment on summary conviction.**

**Request for CCTV Footage**

To assist with this investigation, I now formally request that you provide CCTV footage covering the counter area and alcohol display for the following dates and times:

- Friday 23 October 2026, 10:00hrs to 11:00hrs and 11:30hrs to 12:30hrs.
- Saturday 24 October 2026, 11:30hrs to 12:30hrs and 12:30hrs to 13:30hrs.

Please confirm receipt of this letter in writing and provide details of the premises' operating arrangements by Wednesday 4 November 2026.

**Any further breaches of the licensing legislation by you or your staff may result in enforcement action, including prosecution and/or a review of the premises licence.**

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



Rhea Vagarwal
Licensing Enforcement Officer
Regulatory Services

cc. Licensing Police

**From:** Diana Brown
**Sent:** 29 October 2026 16:24
**To:** Esther, Chan; Okunromade, Noah
**Cc:** Sophie Knight; Nicola McLean; Habtom, Semhal; Business Licence
**Subject:** RE: Corner Shop Reopening - Wazir Food and Wine, 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD

Dear Licensing Team,

We are writing to raise significant safeguarding concerns following the reopening of the shop and to formally request that the College's concerns are given full consideration as part of the current licensing review, with a view to revoking the premises licence.

The College is situated in close proximity to the premises and has a responsibility to protect the safety, welfare and wellbeing of its students, staff, and the wider college community.

We have had to respond to concerns involving local residents and students regarding the anti-social behaviour in and around the shop. The recent reopening of the premises has therefore heightened our concerns regarding the potential safeguarding risks and the possible impact on the local community.

The College has a significant population of vulnerable learners, including 110 mainstream students with Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs) and a further 60 students with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

We have a duty to ensure that appropriate measures are in place to safeguard these students and protect them from potential harm and/or exploitation within our locality.

Given our proximity to the premises, we believe these concerns warrant serious consideration by the Licencing Team.

We request that the Licensing Authority takes these safeguarding concerns into account as part of its review and gives careful consideration into our protecting students, staff, and the wider community.

We will compile a more detailed report setting out the concerns, relevant observations and supporting information. We will submit the report ASAP.

We would be grateful if this correspondence could be formally recorded and considered as part of the review process.

Kind Regards

**Diana Brown**(she/her)

Assistant Principal for Student Experience
Deputy Strategic Safeguarding Lead

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# London Borough of Brent

# Premises Licence

**Part A**

*This Premises Licence was granted by Brent Council, Licensing Authority for the area of the Borough of Brent under the* ***Licensing Act 2003***

**Original grant date: 24 November 2005**
**Current issue date: 02 November 2021**



Authorised signatory

**Premises licence number: 166006**

**Part 1 – Premises Details**

Postal address of premises, or if none, ordinance survey map reference or description

**Wazir Food & Wine**
**97 Dudden Hill Lane, London, Brent, NW10 1BD**

Where the licence is time limited the dates

Licensable activities authorised by the licence

**Section J: Sale of alcohol:**

The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities

| **Section J: Sale or Supply of Alcohol:** | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Day** | **Start Time** | **End Time** |
| Monday | 08:30 | 23:00 |
| Tuesday | 08:30 | 23:00 |
| Wednesday | 08:30 | 23:00 |
| Thursday | 08:30 | 23:00 |
| Friday | 08:30 | 23:00 |
| Saturday | 08:30 | 23:00 |
| Sunday | 10:30 | 23:00 |

The opening hours of the premises

| **Day** | **Start Time** | **End Time** |
|---|---|---|
| Monday | 08:30 | 20:00 |
| Tuesday | 08:30 | 20:00 |
| Wednesday | 08:30 | 20:00 |
| Thursday | 08:30 | 20:00 |
| Friday | 08:30 | 20:00 |
| Saturday | 08:30 | 20:00 |
| Sunday | 10:30 | 19:00 |

Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and/or off supplies

**Off**

## Part 2

Name, (registered) address, telephone number and email (where relevant) of holder of the premises licence

**Mr Balwinder Singh Ghaba**

[redacted]

Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)

Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol

**Mr Balwinder Singh Ghaba**

[redacted]

Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol

**Licence Number:** [redacted]
**Issuing authority:** [redacted]

## Annex 1 – Mandatory conditions

**Age Verification Policy**

(1) The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.

(2) The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licence must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.

(3) The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and either—

(a) a holographic mark, or

(b) an ultraviolet feature.

**Minimum Price of Alcohol**

**1.**A relevant person shall ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on or off the premises for a price which is less than the permitted price.

**2.**For the purposes of the condition set out in paragraph 1—

(a)—duty‖ is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979;

(b)—permitted price‖ is the price found by applying the formula—

***P = D + (D x V)***

where—

(i)P is the permitted price,

(ii)D is the amount of duty chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the duty were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol, and

(iii)V is the rate of value added tax chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the value added tax were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol;

(c)—relevant person‖ means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a premises licence—

(i)the holder of the premises licence,

(ii)the designated premises supervisor (if any) in respect of such a licence, or

(iii)the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;

(d) —relevant person‖ means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question; and

(e)—valued added tax‖ means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994.

3.Where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.

4.(1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 on a day (—the first day‖) would be different from the permitted price on the next day (—the second day‖) as a result of a change to the rat e of duty or value added tax.

(2)The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day.

**Requirement for a DPS**

(1) No supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence-

(a)at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or

(b)at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or their personal licence is suspended.

(2) Every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.

**Door Supervisors and Security Staff to be Licensed by the SIA (Only if required)**
Where the licence includes a condition that at specified times one or more individuals must be at the premises to carry out a security activity, each individual must be licensed by the Security Industry Authority, with the following exceptions:

a) premises where the premises licence authorises plays or films

b) any occasion mentioned in paragraph 8(3)(b) or (c) of Schedule 2 to the Private Security Industry Act 2001 (premises being used exclusively by a club with a club premises certificate, under a temporary event notice authorising plays or films or under a gaming licence), or

c) any occasion within paragraph 8(3)(d) of Schedule 2 to the Private Security Industry Act 2001

## Annex 2 – Conditions consistent with the operating schedule

1. CCTV shall be installed to Home Office Guidance standards and maintained in a good working condition and recordings shall be kept for 31 days and shall be made available to police and authorised Officers from Brent Council.

2. The CCTV system shall be capable of obtaining clear facial recognition images and a clear head and shoulders image of every person entering or leaving the premises.

3. CCTV cameras shall be installed to cover all the entrances and exits of the premises and further camera(s) installed to cover the till area where sales occur.

4. A member of staff shall always be present on the premises whilst they are open who is capable operating the CCTV system and able to facilitate immediate viewing of CCTV footage upon the request of the Police and Authorised Officer of the Licensing Authority.

5. The CCTV system shall display on all recordings with the correct date and time of the recording.

6. A "Challenge 25" policy shall be adopted and adhered to at all times.

7. A sign stating "No proof of age -- No sale" shall be displayed at the point of sale.

8. A copy of the premises licence summary including the hours which licensable activities are permitted shall be visible from the outside of each entrance to the premises.

9. Any staff directly involved in selling alcohol for retail to consumers, staff who provide training and all managers will undergo regular training (every 12 months) of Licensing Act 2003 legislation. This will be documented and signed for by the DPS and the member of staff receiving the training. This training log shall be kept on the premises and made available for inspection by police and relevant authorities upon request.

10. All alcoholic drinks shall be clearly labelled or marked with the name of the premises.

11. A notice asking customers to leave quietly from the premises shall be displayed by the exit/entrance.

12. A single incident log shall be kept at the premises, and made available for inspection on request to an authorised officer of Brent Council or the Police, which will record the following:

(a) all crimes reported to the venue

(b) all ejections of patrons

(c) any complaints received

(d) any incidents of disorder

(e) all seizures of drugs or offensive weapons

(f) any faults in the CCTV system

(g) any refusal of the sale of alcohol

(h) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.

13. No high strength beers, lagers, and ciders above 6% ABV shall be stocked or sold at the premises.

14. No single cans of beer, lager or cider shall be sold from the premises.

15. No miniature bottles of wine or spirits in units less than 20cl shall be stocked or sold at the premise.

16. A personal licence holder shall be present on the premises and supervise the sale of alcohol throughout the permitted hours for the sale of alcohol

17. All deliveries shall take place during the normal working day (i.e. 09:00 to 18:00 daily).15.

18. A lockable safe with deposit slot and anti-fishing mechanisms must be used at the counter till area in order to prevent crime.

19. A suitable intruder alarm and panic button shall be fitted and maintained.

20. A personal licence holder shall be present on the premises and supervise the sale of alcohol throughout the permitted hours for the sale of alcohol.

21. Invoices are to be produced to Police, a member of an appropriate authority or council officers upon request to evidence payment of duty on goods.

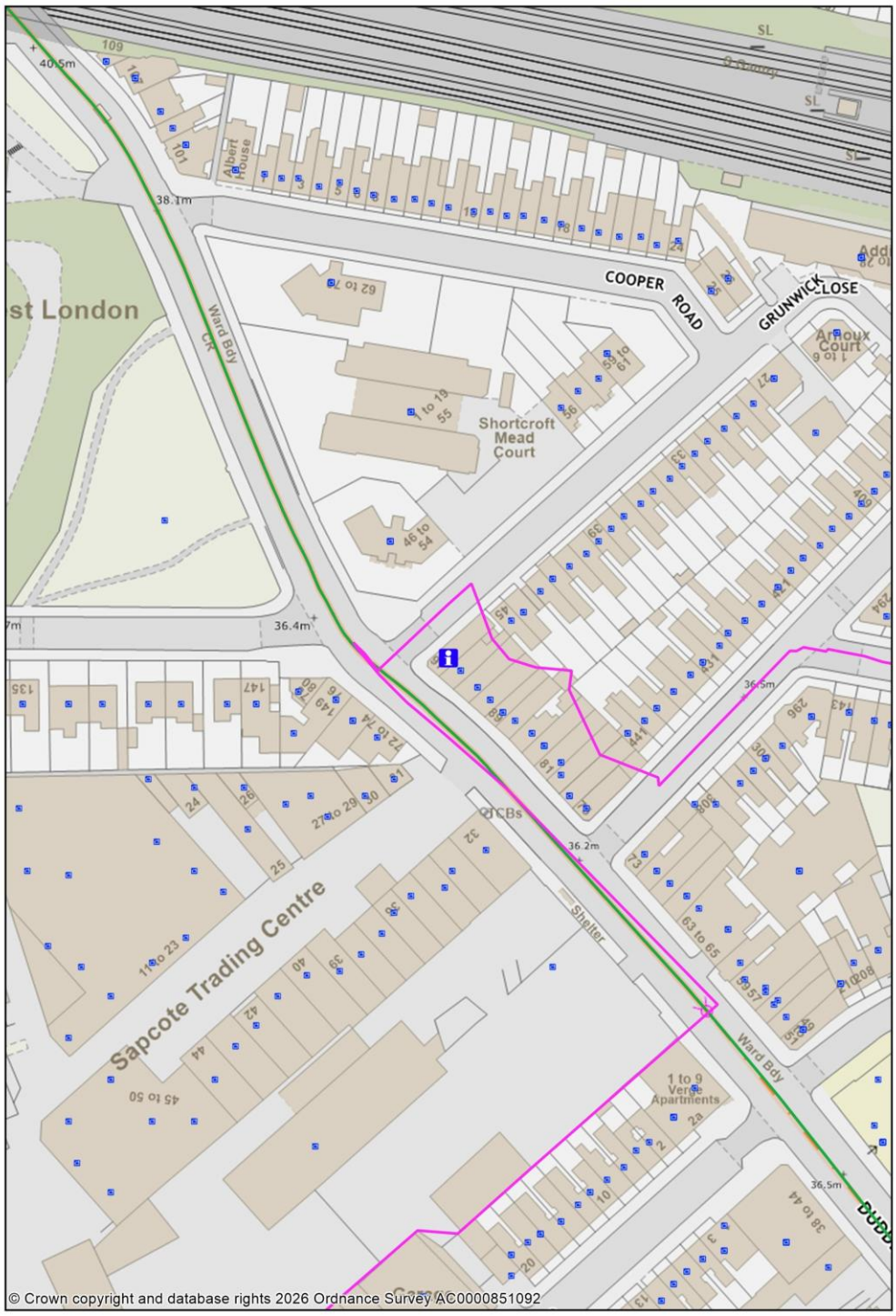
22. Suitable and sufficient fire fighting equipment shall be installed and properly maintained.

**Annex 3 – Conditions attached after a hearing by the licensing authority**

Annex 4 – Plans

See attached

Basemap Map




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**From:** Vagarwal, Rhea
**Sent:** 05 November 2026 10:19
**To:** Maninder Kaur; s.panchal personallicencecourses.com
**Cc:** Business Licence; Legister, Linda; Esther, Chan
**Subject:** CONSULT: Review following Closure Order - Wazir Food & Wine, 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD - 2026-2468

Dear Maninder,

Thank you for confirming that your client accepts the Licensing Authority's representation dated 29 October 2026.

If the amended floor plan can be submitted by **Friday 6 November 2026**, I will be in a position to withdraw the Licensing Authority's representation.

As a gentle reminder, the CCTV footage requested in the attached warning letter has not yet been received. I would be grateful if this could also be provided as soon as possible.

Kind regards

Rhea Vagarwal
Licensing Enforcement Officer
Regulatory Services

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**From:** Maninder Kaur
**Sent:** 03 November 2026 14:17
**To:** Vagarwal, Rhea ; Business Licence
**Cc:** devbhai.bhanji; s.panchal personallicencecourses.com
**Subject:** Wazir Food & Wine, 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD

Good afternoon,

I hope this email finds you well.

I act on behalf of client for Wazir Food & Wine, I can confirm my client accepts the conditions you have listed.

In the meantime, I have requested the client for an amended floor plan. I would appreciate if you could allow us an extension of time to submit the amended plan.

I look forward in hearing from you soon.

**Kind Regards**

**Maninder Kaur**

Paralegal, Personal Licence Courses UK Ltd

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**From:** Vagarwal, Rhea
**Sent:** 06 November 2026 11:24
**To:** Manpreet Kapoor
**Cc:** Business Licence; Legister, Linda; Esther, Chan
**Subject:** RE: CONSULT: Review following Closure Order - Wazir Food & Wine, 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD - 2026-2468

Dear Manpreet,

Thank you for providing an updated plan and confirming that your client accepts the attached representation dated 29 October 2026.

I now wish to withdraw the Licensing Authority's representation.

As requested previously, I would be grateful for an update regarding the CCTV footage referred to in the warning letter, which remains outstanding.

Kind regards

Rhea Vagarwal
Licensing Enforcement Officer

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**From:** Manpreet Kapoor
**Sent:** 06 November 2026 11:14
**To:** Vagarwal, Rhea
**Subject:** FW: CONSULT: Review following Closure Order - Wazir Food & Wine, 97 Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 1BD - 2026-2468

Dear Rhea

Find attached updated plan as requested.

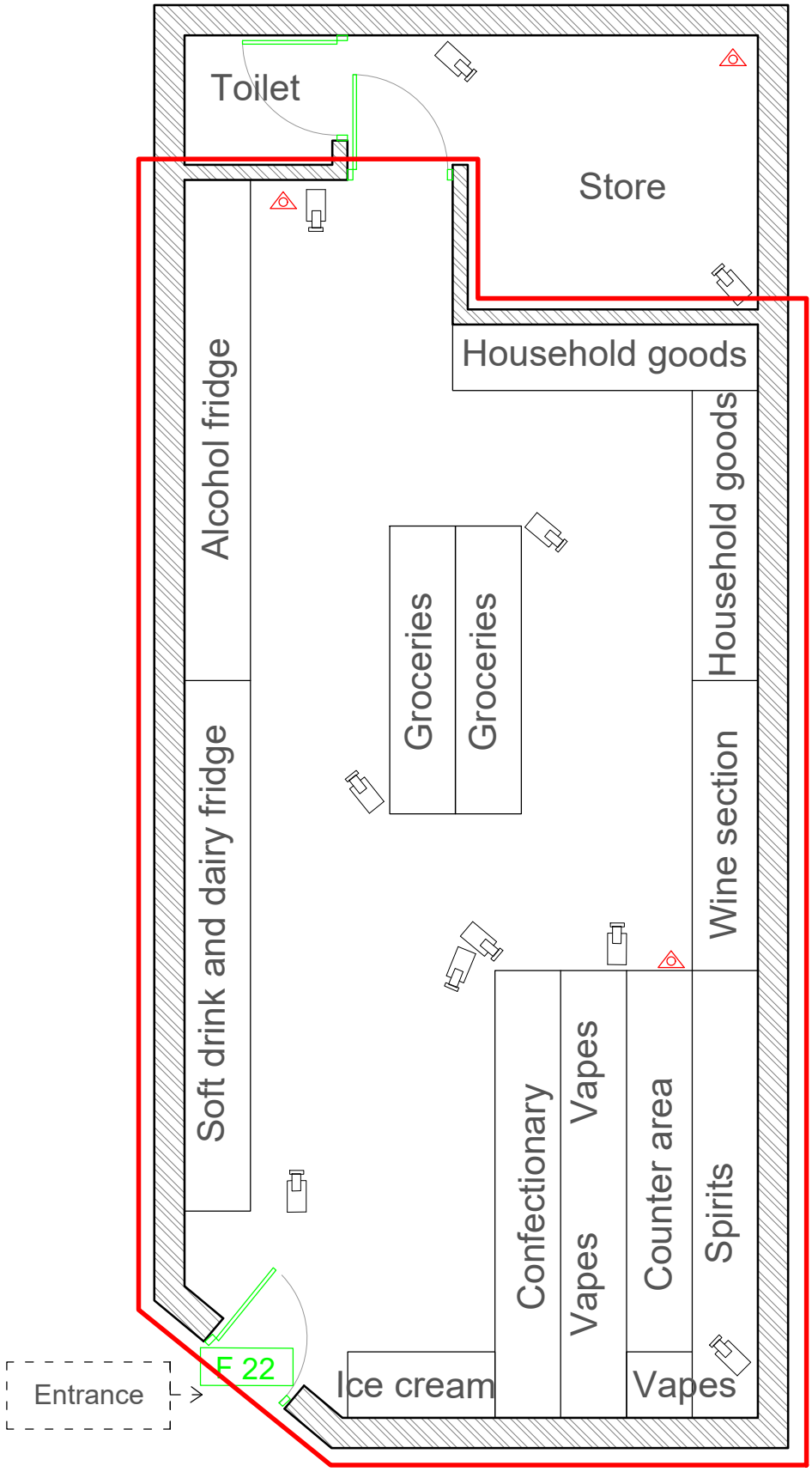
**Kind Regards**

**Manpreet S Kapoor BA (Hons)**

Licensing Consultant, Personal Licence Courses UK Ltd

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# PROPOSED LICENCE PLAN




Property Address:

97 Dudden Hill Lane,
London
NW10 1BD

Drawing No. AC360 Date: 05/11/26

| Key | Scale : 1:50 | Paper : A4 |
|---|---|---|
| | Fire Extinguisher | |
| F 22 | Fire Exit Signs | |
| | CCTV Cameras | |
| | Licensable Area | |

CCTV Recordings 31 Days

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