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**Sangit Express  
Swatiben Thakkar  
327, Harrow Road  
Wembley.  
HA9 6BA**

### **NW BCU Licensing Department - Brent**

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**Our ref:** 01QK/462/24/3122NW

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**Police representations to the application for a new Premises Licence for 'Sangit Express, 327, Harrow Road, Wembley HA9 6BA'**

Police certify that we have considered the application shown above and wish to make representations that the likely effect of the grant of the application is detrimental to the Council's Licensing Objectives for the reasons indicated below.

**Officer: PC Phil Graves  
Licensing Constable 3122NW**

An officer of the Metropolitan Police, in whose area the premises are situated, who is authorised for the purposes of exercising its statutory function as a 'Responsible Authority' under the Licensing Act 2003.

The application has been made for a new premises licence under section 17 of the Licensing act 2003. The Police representations are concerned with all four of the licensing objectives, namely:

- The prevention of crime and disorder;
  - Public safety;
- The prevention of public nuisance; and
- The protection of children from harm.

### **The Application**

The application is to add alcohol to the existing convenience store from 09.00 to 02.00 hours seven days a week. The venue sits on the Harrow Road at the junction with Wembley Hill Road which is one of the busiest junctions in this area of Brent. The venue also sits in the shadow of Wembley Stadium along with many other licensed venues.

The location also falls into the Wembley Central Cumulative Impact Zone (CIZ). CIZ's exist across the borough of Brent where crime, ASB, Street Drinking and littering are at their worst. The purpose of these CIZ's is to control the amount of alcohol made available, which is unfortunately the cause of so much of the crime and ASB.

Brent council's policy on CIZ's are detailed in the link below. As you can see the policy details how any new off license application will be refused by the committee unless the application can show that it won't have a negative effect on the licensing objectives and it not just another 'bog standard' off license selling the same alcohol as it's competitors. Having read the application I can see nothing listed detailing how the venue is a speciality off license in anyway, leading me to believe this is a standard off license selling all the normal beers wines and spirits.

Also having read the application I see no reference to the CIZ and how the applicants proposed new off sales would not have a negative impact on the licensing objectives.

<https://www.brent.gov.uk/business/licences-and-permits/alcohol-club-and-entertainment-licences/premises-licence#ciz>

<https://www.brent.gov.uk/nuisance-crime-and-community-safety/public-spaces-protection-orders#pspos>

*"Where an application for a new off-licence or for variations to off-licences is received (which would increase the sale of alcohol, including through longer hours), the presumption is that the application will be refused unless the applicant can satisfactorily evidence that their application or variation will not negatively impact on the licensing objectives."*

I have also been passed an e-mail from Cllr Akram expressing his concerns over the granting of this premises license. One of the many points raised by Cllr Akram is the number of existing premises license in the immediate vicinity. Below is a list of the licensed 'off sales' as detailed in Brent's Licensing Register.

<u>Venue Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Post Code</u>	<u>Hours of Sale</u>
Wembley Snappy Food & Wine	297, Harrow Road	HA9 6BD	24/7
Triangle Food & Wine	1, Wembley Hill Road	HA9 6QU	08.00 – 00.00
Premier Convenience	4, Wembley Hill Road	HA9 6QU	08.00 – 23.00
Shree Superstore	11, Wembley Hill Road	HA9 8AF	09.00 – 00.00

As you can see there are adequate off licenses literally in eyesight of 327 Harrow Road. Adding another off license to this area will only add to the street drinking, ASB and crime already too high in this area.

Below is a screen shot from the Met Police web site showing the crime figures for this section of the Harrow Road / Wembley Park Road.

Top reported crimes

Most commonly reported crimes during Jun 2025

Anti-social behaviour	48
Violence and sexual offences	48
Shoplifting	46
Theft from the person	22

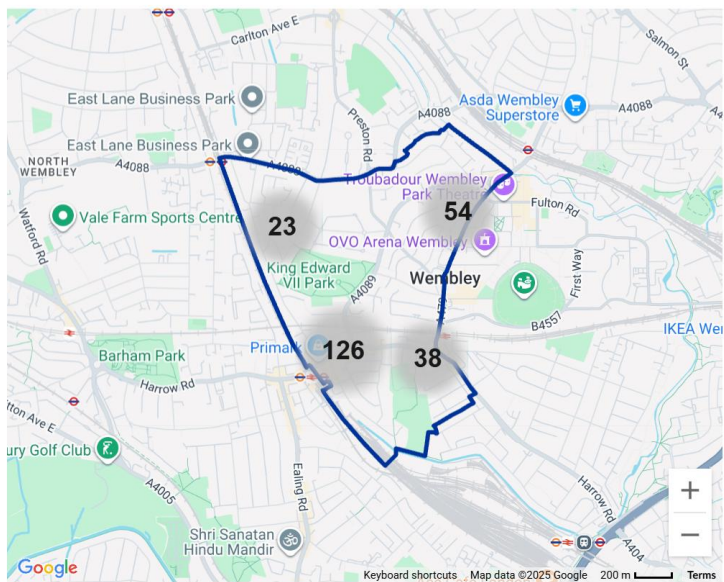
[Crime prevention](#)

Crime levels in your area

Crime for last year



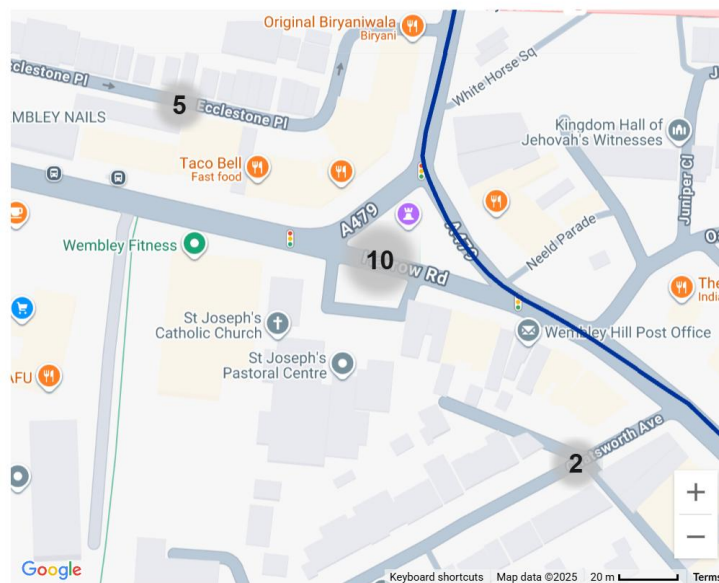
Click on a hotspot to see more details. Alternatively, [view as A-Z list](#).



Crime type and time period title

All Crimes (241)	
June 2025	
241 crimes were reported here in June 2025	
Anti-social behaviour	48
Violence and sexual offences	48
Shoplifting	46
All other crime	99

Click on a hotspot to see more details. Alternatively, [view as A-Z list](#).



Crime type and time period title

All Crimes (241)

June 2025

The above crime figures show a total of 241 crimes for the month of June 2025. As you can see Anti-social behaviour (ASB) is the top of this list followed by violence and sexual offences. Alcohol is a common contributor to both ASB, violence and sexual offences.

In addition to this the venue falls within the footprint of Wembley Stadium. Sporting and music events at the stadium are another massive attraction to the area where alcohol is another source of fuelling crime and ASB. The police along with the local authority spend a vast amount of time and resources into controlling the street drink / PSPO on event days. Adding yet another off license within the Wembley footprint will only encourage more street drinking and add another venue for the police and local authority to monitor.

### **Summary**

The venue is not a specialist in any field and is trying to sell standard beers and wines that are already available in neighbouring off licenses.

The crime figures and map quoted above speak for themselves. High levels of ASB, public order offenses, violent and sexual crimes all quite often instigated by excessive and continual alcohol use.

Allowing this application to progress, no matter how strict a list of conditions imposed, would only add to more alcohol on the streets, more street drinking, more ASB and crime in the area.

Taking all the above information into account police oppose this application in full on the basis that all four of the licensing objectives will not be met.

Yours Sincerely,

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