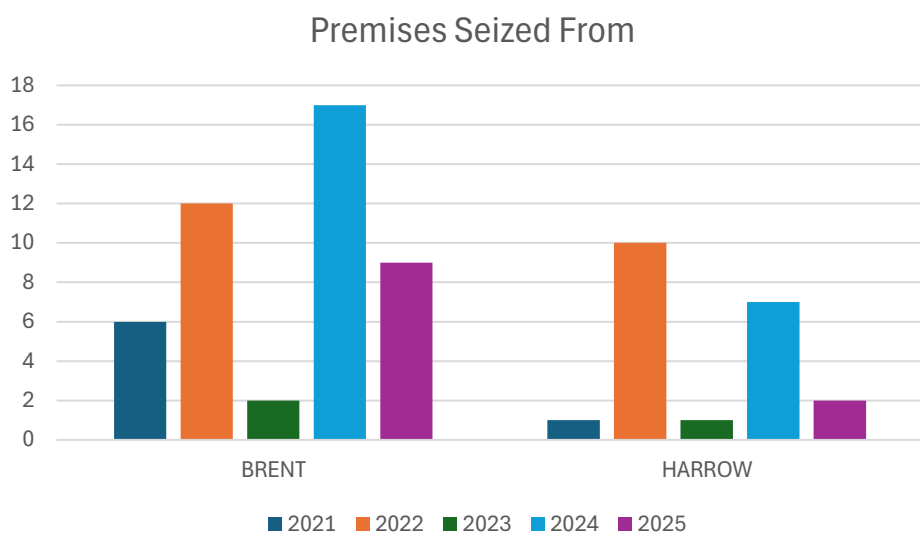
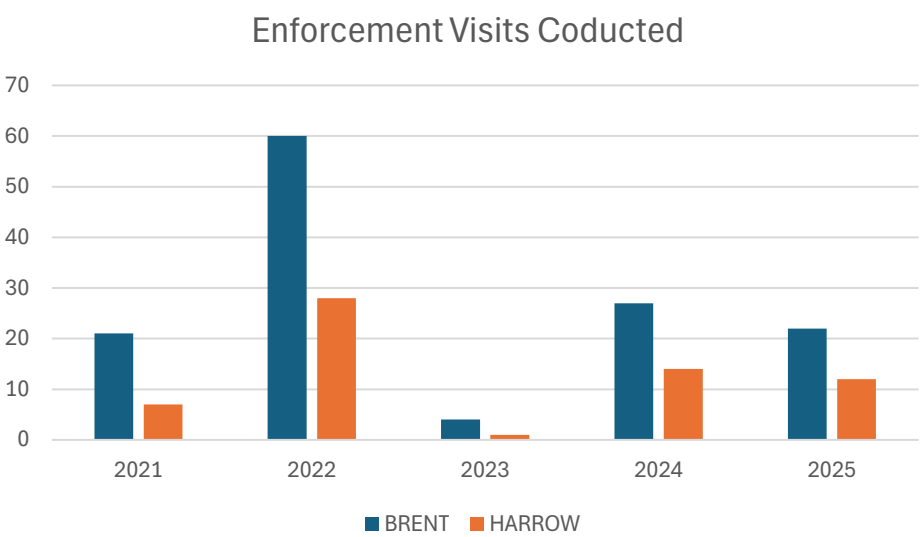


Brent and Harrow Trading Standards Op CeCe and Tobacco Update

Op CeCe commenced in January 2021 with the aim of tackling the sale and supply of illicit tobacco products such as cigarettes, hand rolling tobacco and shisha. The objective behind this is for the disruption of illegal tobacco within England and Wales. HMRC provided funds to NTS to carry out this work, and funds were allocated to London Trading Standards on a regional level to take part in the project.

The purpose of this report is to provide an update of work carried out by Brent and Harrow Trading Standards concerning the enforcement of illicit tobacco and Op CeCe.


This document contains a summary of the highlights of work done between March 2021 and September 2025




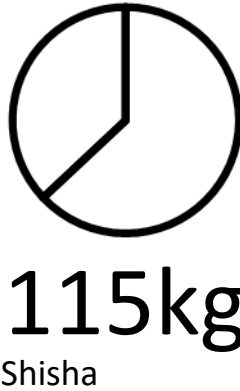
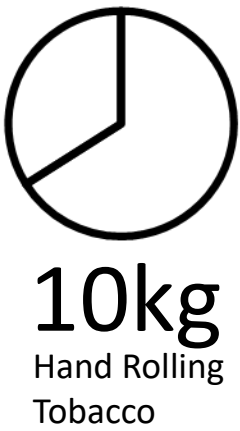
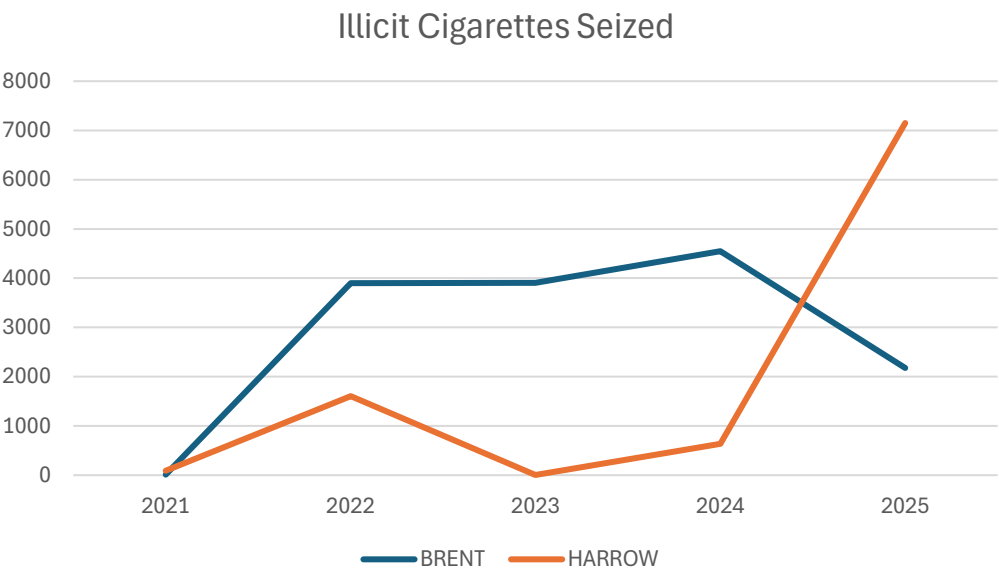
184 Enforcement visits carried during this period (122 Brent & 62 Harrow)

67 Visits resulted in seizures of illegal tobacco (46 Brent & 21)

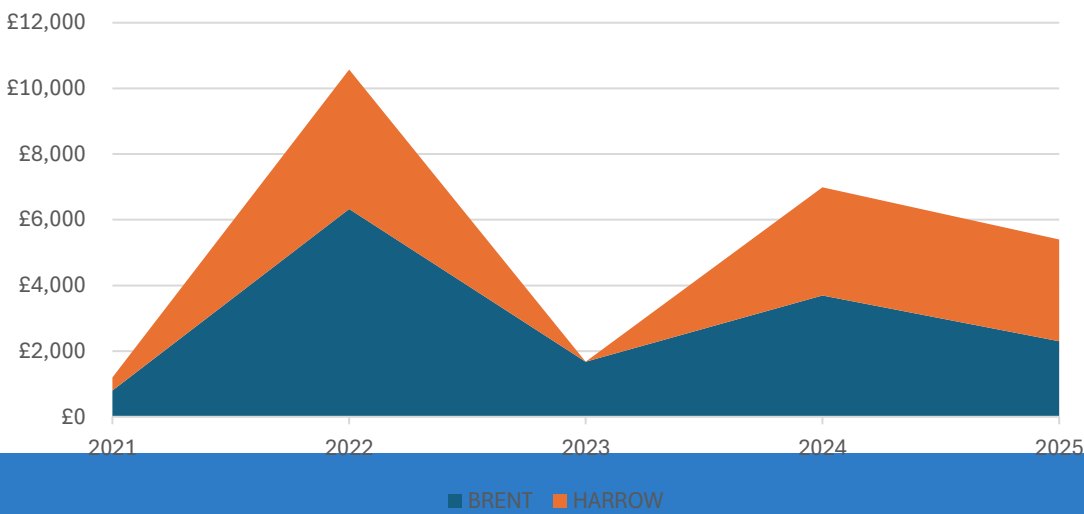
 **326** Complaints received regarding illicit tobacco (214 Brent & 112 Harrow)

 **24** Legal proceedings following seizures of illicit tobacco (22 Brent & 2 Harrow)

 **63** Letters of warning issued for infringements (34 Brent and 29 Harrow)



 **480,580** Sticks of cigarettes seized which is over 24,000 pack of cigarettes



 **25,841** Cost recovery for officer's time since March 2021 to September 2025 from Op-CeCe