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Good Afternoon Noa & Susana,

I am writing to you on behalf of myself as the A/Chief Inspector for Brent Neighbourhoods Policing Team and also on behalf of Detective Superintendent Anthony Bellis, the North West Police lead for the Brent Neighbourhoods Policing Strand.

We write to offer our support with the continuation and proposed amendments to the exiting Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO).

As a key partner to the Metropolitan Police across the Borough of Brent we value the excellent work that you and your teams do to make Brent a safe and secure place for communities and visitors to live, thrive and enjoy. There are many challenges in achieving this, not least with the high number of visitors that come into Brent to visit its many attractions which include its thriving Town Centres, The National Stadium, The OVO Arena, other shopping centres, hotels, entertainment establishments and wonderful community, faith, cultural and religious venues. The creation of the PSPO has made a considerable difference in supporting Brent Council and other Brent Partners and Stakeholders, in the past in managing anti-social behaviour across Brent but also providing vital powers to deliver for the communities, improve trust and confidence and to help keep Brents communities safer.

Brent Council have also worked with police to deliver effective enforcement of the PSPO legislation which has proven effective in managing the large numbers of people that visit and attend Wembley during concerts, sporting events and other events that draw in large numbers of people. This allows a proportionate, fast and effective response and outcome to lower level matters that have a significant impact on communities and visitors to Brent. The PSPO supports enforcement officers being in the right place at the right time to ensure effective enforcement delivery and support for those attending these events and wider communities.

Brent Council have also taken a great deal of learning from previous years in specific areas of Brent relating to Notting Hill Carnival and how the footprint of this prestigious event can and does intrude onto Brent, often as the main event draws to a close on both event days. This often brings large scale ASB to areas of Brent in the form of street drinking, unlicensed food and alcohol sales, unlicensed music events and also traffic and parking issues. Brent have listened and responded to local residents concerns and have adapted the PSPO in support of enforcing against such unwanted activities and to again provide a proportionate and effective approach in dealing with these lower level anti-social matters.

The enforcement of the PSPO's, the increase in Brent Enforcement Officers and the continuation and necessary adaptation of the PSPO has a significant impact on creating a better Brent, this is something that both Detective Superintendent Bellis and I support both now and into the future. This allows the Metropolitan Police to work with our partners but to also direct our resources into other areas of the borough that specifically require a policing response to maximise enforcement opportunities and provide a more effective response to the needs of Brent Borough, its communities and visitors.

I hope this goes someway to show our support and I wish you every success in obtaining the new and revised PSPO, we very much look forward to continuing to deliver effective policing and enforcement for Brent with our partners, and other stakeholders, as we have done so successfully in the past

Kind regards,



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