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Date: Wednesday 28th of January 2026.

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
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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.

<u>The Application</u>

The application is to add alcohol to the existing convenience store from 09.00 to 22.00 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.

An almost identical application was submitted in August 2025 with longer licensable hours which was refused by the licensee committee.

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."

Venue Name	Address	Post Code	Hours of Sale
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.

The above maps show the crime figures for November 2025. You can see from the zoomed in image that there is a high concentration of crime around the Wembley Triangle

In addtion 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 rescources into controlling the street drinkg / 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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