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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

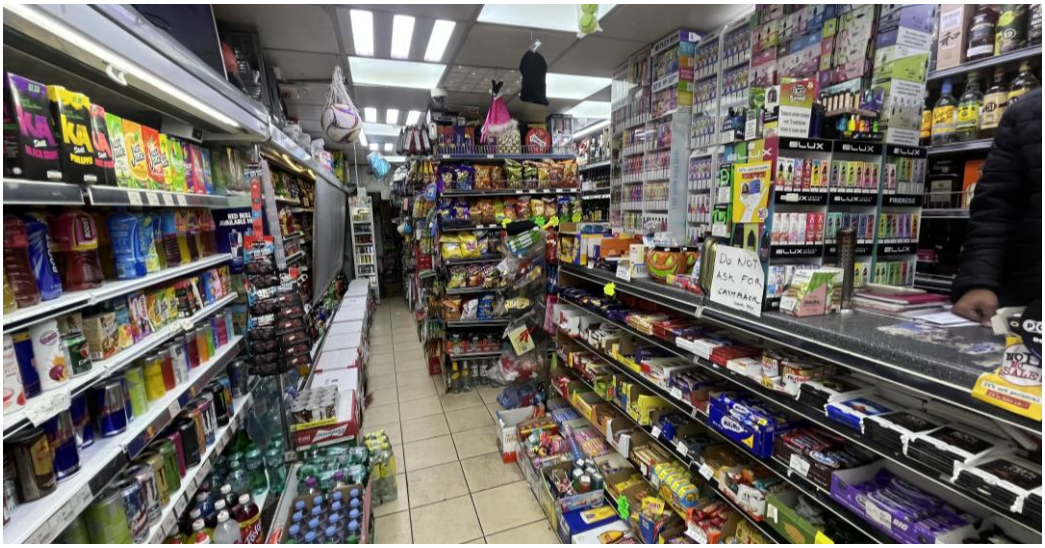
The premises licence was initially granted in November 2005.

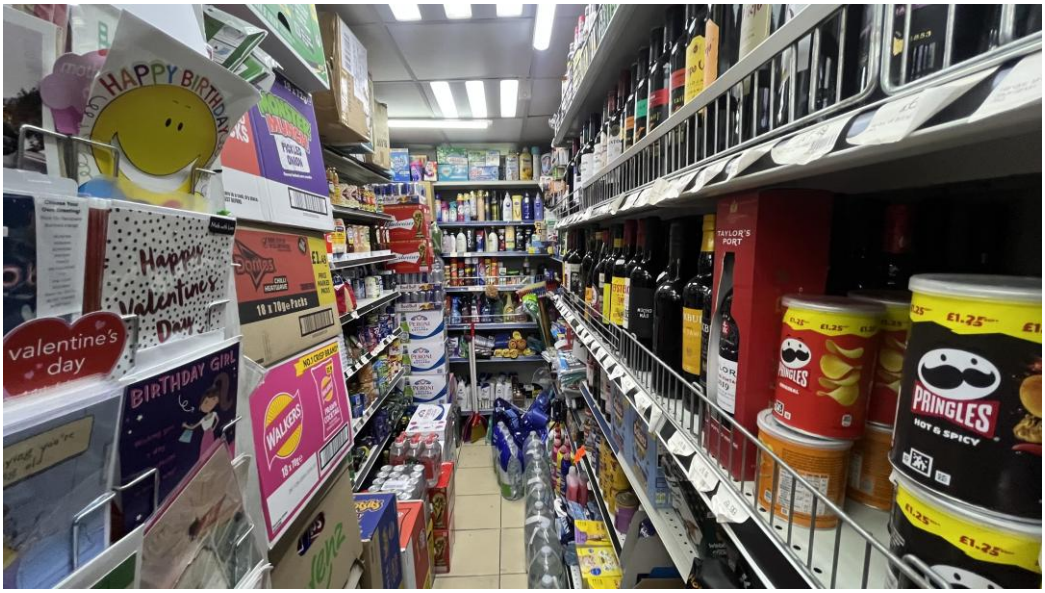
In June 2021, an application to transfer the premises licence and vary the designated premises supervisor (DPS) to Mr Balwinder Singh Ghaba was granted.

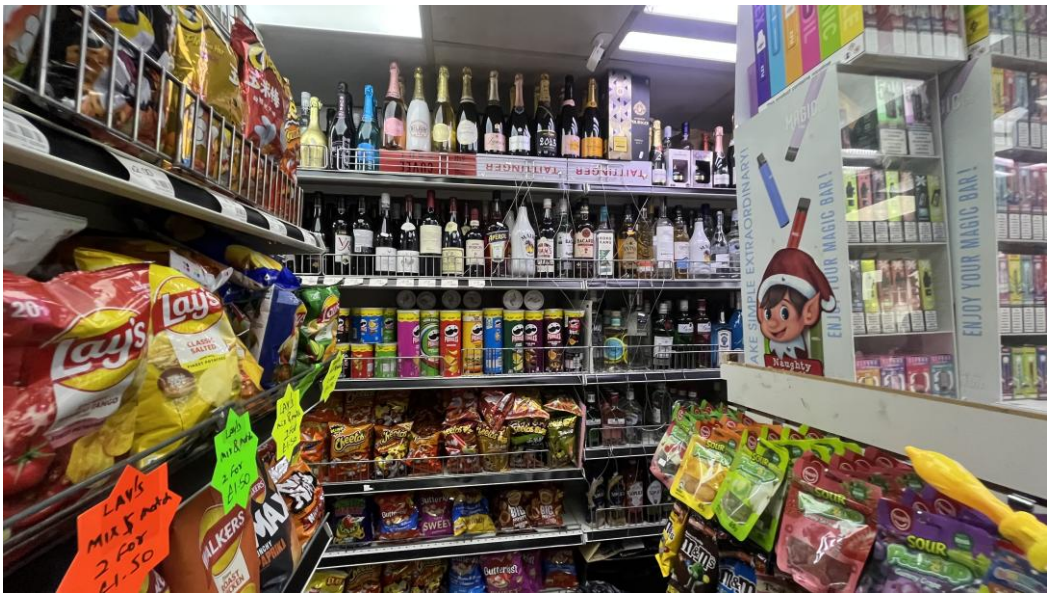
On Thursday 22 October 2026, a review of the premises licence was been initiated following the issue of a Closure Order under Section 80 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. The Closure Order was in force from 6 August 2026 until 21 September 2026.

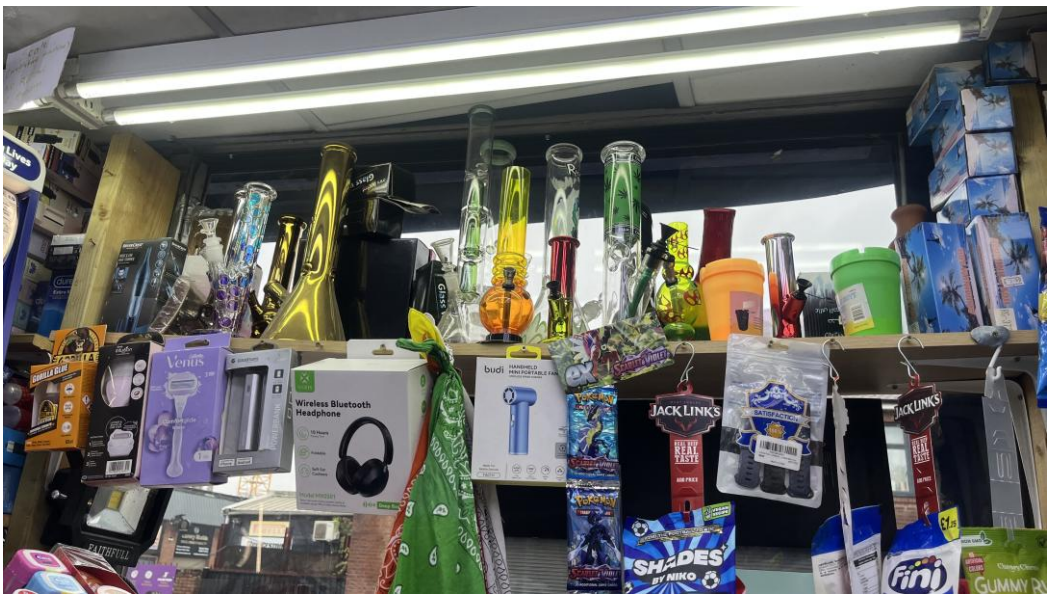
Layout of Premises











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
Regulatory Services