

Licensing Sub-Committee

Supplementary Agenda A

Tuesday 4 November 2025 at 6.30 pm

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A B Wines statement review – Carol Fregiste-Thomas

Statement to Support Review of Premises Licence – AB Wines, 218 Uxbridge Road, Shepherd's Bush, London W12 7JDUxbridge Road

I am a Community Safety Officer for the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham, having held this role since 2020. I am submitting this statement in support of a review of the premises licence for A B Wines, 218 Uxbridge Road, London W12 7JD, located on a busy stretch of Uxbridge Road. This premises has generated more concern than any other currently under observation by the Community Safety team.

Over the past year, we have received a significant volume of complaints from local residents regarding persistent anti-social behaviour linked to this location. The following issues have been repeatedly reported:

- Fights and physical altercations
- Public urination, including in side roads and residents' front gardens
- Large groups obstructing pavements and behaving in an intimidating manner
- Groups congregating under the nearby bus stop, deterring legitimate bus users from accessing it
- Amplified music played on portable devices
- Littering, including alcohol containers discarded in public spaces

Witness accounts and supporting CCTV footage indicate that many of these nuisance behaviours are associated with alcohol purchased from the premises. Footage shows individuals loitering outside, entering to make purchases, and then continuing to drink and cause disruption in the surrounding area. Residents have also submitted photographic evidence showing litter, bottles, and cans left overnight, often wedged into street utility boxes, alongside signs of urination.

Residents have expressed fear about leaving their homes after dark, citing the frequency of fights and disorderly conduct during evening hours. Community Safety officers and other council staff have visited the premises on multiple occasions and spoken with staff. On each occasion, staff have stated that they too are affected by the behaviour and feel unable to intervene in incidents occurring outside.

However, having visited the premises myself on several occasions in a customer capacity, I am now concerned that staff may be complicit in enabling this behaviour. This may be due to fear of confrontation, lack of training, or insufficient confidence in managing such incidents. To my knowledge, staff do not undertake any cleaning of the frontage, relying entirely on council street cleansing services.

Despite the scale of concern and the resources deployed by the council to monitor and patrol the area—sometimes at risk to officer safety—there has been no evidence of proactive engagement from the premises to work with the council on mitigating measures.

This statement is submitted to support the review of the premises licence, with a view to ensuring that appropriate conditions are considered to address the ongoing impact on the local community.

Yours sincerely,

Carol Fregiste-Thomas

Community Safety Officer
London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham