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Subject: Police Representation - New Premises Licence Application - Shan Local 51 Fulham Broadway London SW6 1AE - 2025/01256/LAPR

Dear
Licensing,

RE: New Premises Licence Application - Shan Local 51 Fulham Broadway London SW6 1AE - 2025/01256/LAPR

Please find attached Police Representation and supporting documents from myself and PC Brett against the above New Premises Licence application.

Please note that we have not consulted with the applicant for this application, as we strongly oppose it, due to the premises contributions to crime and disorder.

Kind Regards,
Charlotte

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Thursday 4th September 2025

Dear LBHF Licensing Authority,

I am submitting a formal objection to the application for a new premises licence for Shan Local. My reason for this is to support the licensing objective, Prevention of Crime and Disorder.

I am aware that the operator is seeking a new premises licence and wishes to acquire a permanent licence to cover the sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises.

I am aware that this premises is currently licenced under case reference 2024/00766/LAPR which is due to expire on Wednesday 24th September 2025. The applicant is applying for the same hours and conditions, as what the current licence has in place.

Licensable activities sought:

The sale of alcohol - Off the premises only

Mondays to Sundays between 10:00 to 23:00

Proposed opening hours:

Mondays to Sundays between 08:00 to 02:00

The premises is an off-licence located in Fulham Broadway on a main road. Therefore, there is easy access to this shop and the shop has high visibility. Shan Local is next to a betting shop, various food and drink outlets and a large housing estate.

On Wednesday 20th August 2025 I attended Shan Local after being informed about the new application. I made the staff member aware that I was a police officer working within police licensing team and informed him that I will be looking around the premises to make sure the licence conditions were being adhered to.

Whilst completing checks, I observed two breaches inside the venue.

The first breach was the sale of beer exceeding 5.5%. There was beer exceeding this amount inside the fridge, accessible to the public.

Condition 8 on the premises licence states:

Strong beer (including larger, stout, ale etc.) and cider above 5.5% shall not be displayed or sold.

I have photographed this beer and attached it to this pack.

I exhibit it is as CLB/01 - Photograph of King Goblin Imperial Ruby Beer 6.6% within the alcohol fridge inside the venue.

The second breach I witnessed is the display of pipes used for the consumption of illegal drugs. I saw two boxes of pipes on display inside the premises.

Condition 25 details: The premises shall not sell any item that may reasonably be expected to be used for the preparation or consumption of illegal drugs. This shall include grinders; pipes and other items commonly used for smoking products other than legal tobacco or herbal products. I have photographed both packs of pipes and attached them to this pack.

I exhibit photograph CLB/02 – ONE (1) box filled with Sparkys metal pipes on visual display with cannabis leaf packaging

I exhibit photograph CLB/03 – ONE (1) Box filled with D&K Glass Pipes on visual display.

The staff were told that these items needed to be removed and this was completed.

I have then attended on Tuesday 26th August 2025 and these items were not present on the shop floor.

Taking into consideration the breaches that took place I have researched the police databases in reference to Shan local. I have looked as far back as the 24/09/2024. There have been various relevant reports relating to Shan Local which I will detail below.

1. On the 31/01/2025, a male was detained in Fulham Broadway by police officers following a theft at Sainsbury's. The male was found to have stolen items on his person. Prior to this the male was observed on CCTV walking into Shan Local holding his jacket in a way, suggesting he had items concealed. He then exited shortly after without the jacket held in the same manner, suggesting items could have been left at or passed to the premises.
2. Previous untested source intelligence suggests the premises may accept stolen goods from shoplifters in the vicinity.
3. There has also been one sighting of a prolific shoplifter outside the venue within the past year.

From observing this intelligence, I then used police databases to look at crime statistics in Walham Green and its neighbouring wards.

Fulham Broadway Ward, in comparison to other Fulham wards, experiences higher levels of anti-social behaviour, violent offences, and theft related crime. The sale of high-strength alcohol and drug paraphernalia at this premises encourages street drinking, drug use and anti-social behaviour.

If you refer to Annex 1 in the pack, I have gathered crime and non crime ASB data over the past year.

Heat Map – Incident Location (last 12 months) - details that a large majority of the crime and ASB is occurring in the close vicinity of Shan Local. Whilst I understand there are other contributing factors, the shop should work even harder to deter the problems that arise in the area and not contribute to them.

Then referring to Annex 2 in the pack, I have created tables showing notable offences and ASB in Walham Green, Lillie and Parsons Green and Sandford Wards. Walham Green has significantly higher data than its neighbouring wards, which demonstrates the issues the area is experiencing.

Further to this is, Annex 3 in the pack shows crime data in the Hammersmith and Fulham borough. This data has been collected from April – June 2025. Again, Walham Green has the higher level of crime rates comparative to the rest of Fulham.

PC Brett has been informed by police licensing about the police representation, as he is one of the neighbourhood ward officers for Walham Green. PC Brett has provided a statement to support this data and is in support of the objection to the application from police licensing. He details the detrimental effects ASB and crime can have on an area and talks about the professional obligation businesses have to discourage this behaviour.

I too am a former ward officer and I have experience and knowledge of the effects of drugs and alcohol on the local community and the crime related issues associated.

I have previously worked in Fulham on a neighbouring ward and have personally witnessed individuals in the vicinity of Fulham Broadway under the influence of alcohol engaging in aggressive behaviour, urinating in public, and begging aggressively outside local cafes. This behaviour negatively affects members of the public and employees of nearby businesses on a daily basis.

The combination of these breaches, the incidents within the last year and the historical concerns with the venue, demonstrates that the premises are not operating responsibly and shows a disregard for the conditions required to maintain community safety and prevent crime and disorder.

For me, this raises concerns regarding the suitability of this premises to hold a new licence.

From my experiences of working in Fulham with the community and partner agencies; Fulham overall has a strong community that supports good businesses and promotes inclusivity.

The Fulham Neighbourhood Policing Team, The Law Enforcement Team and Fulham BID work hard to maintain positive community relations and reduce crime. The operator of Shan Local has demonstrated that they are not supportive of those efforts and the lack of integrity raises concerns regarding the trustworthiness and suitability of the operator to hold a licence.

For the reasons detailed above, the Metropolitan Police formally object to the application of a new premises licence for Shan Local.

Yours sincerely,
PC Charlotte Bennett 3234AW

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Charlotte Bennett', written in a cursive style.

Annex 1:

Image 1 - Heat Map – Incident Location (last 12 months)



Annex 2:

Table 1 - Walham Green Data Graph

Incident Count	Monthly Incident Fr...												
Classification Group	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2024	Dec 2024	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Mar 2025	Apr 2025	May 2025	Jun 2025	Jul 2025	Aug 2025	Incident Count
DRUG OFFENCES	9	8	6	7	8	13	6	6	11	5	4	5	88
NON-CRIME	24	40	39	41	43	35	36	48	56	39	54	32	487
PUBLIC ORDER OFFENCES	11	11	11	7	5	12	8	24	21	9	9	13	141
THEFT	24	36	29	24	32	38	30	29	42	29	33	22	368
VIOLENCE AGAINST THE PERSON	24	38	32	20	20	35	26	31	42	41	20	19	348
Incident Count	92	133	117	99	108	133	106	138	172	123	120	91	1.43K

Table 2 - Parsons Green and Sandford Data Graph

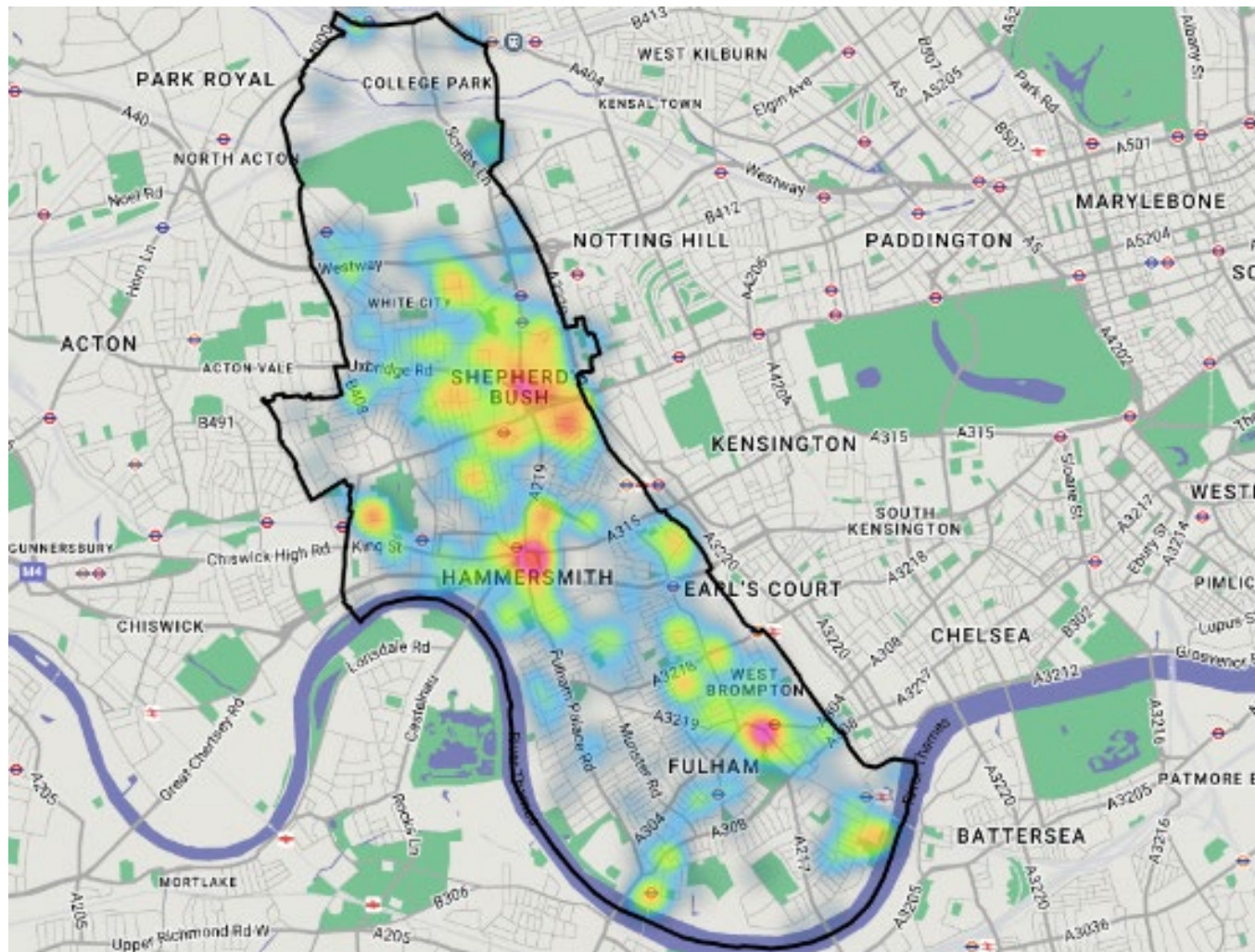
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Classification Group	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2024	Dec 2024	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Mar 2025	Apr 2025	May 2025	Jun 2025	Jul 2025	Aug 2025	Incident Count
DRUG OFFENCES	8	7	6	6	5		8	3	3	5	5	3	59
NON-CRIME	12	23	7	12	9	10	17	18	22	17	10	7	164
PUBLIC ORDER OFFENCES	5	1	4	3		5	3	3	7	3	1		35
THEFT	8	11	7	10	15	12	12	8	16	16	22	12	149
VIOLENCE AGAINST THE PERSON	13	14	2	9	8	4	8	15	14	17	16	7	127
Incident Count	46	56	26	40	37	31	48	47	62	58	54	29	534

Table 3 - Lillie Data Graph

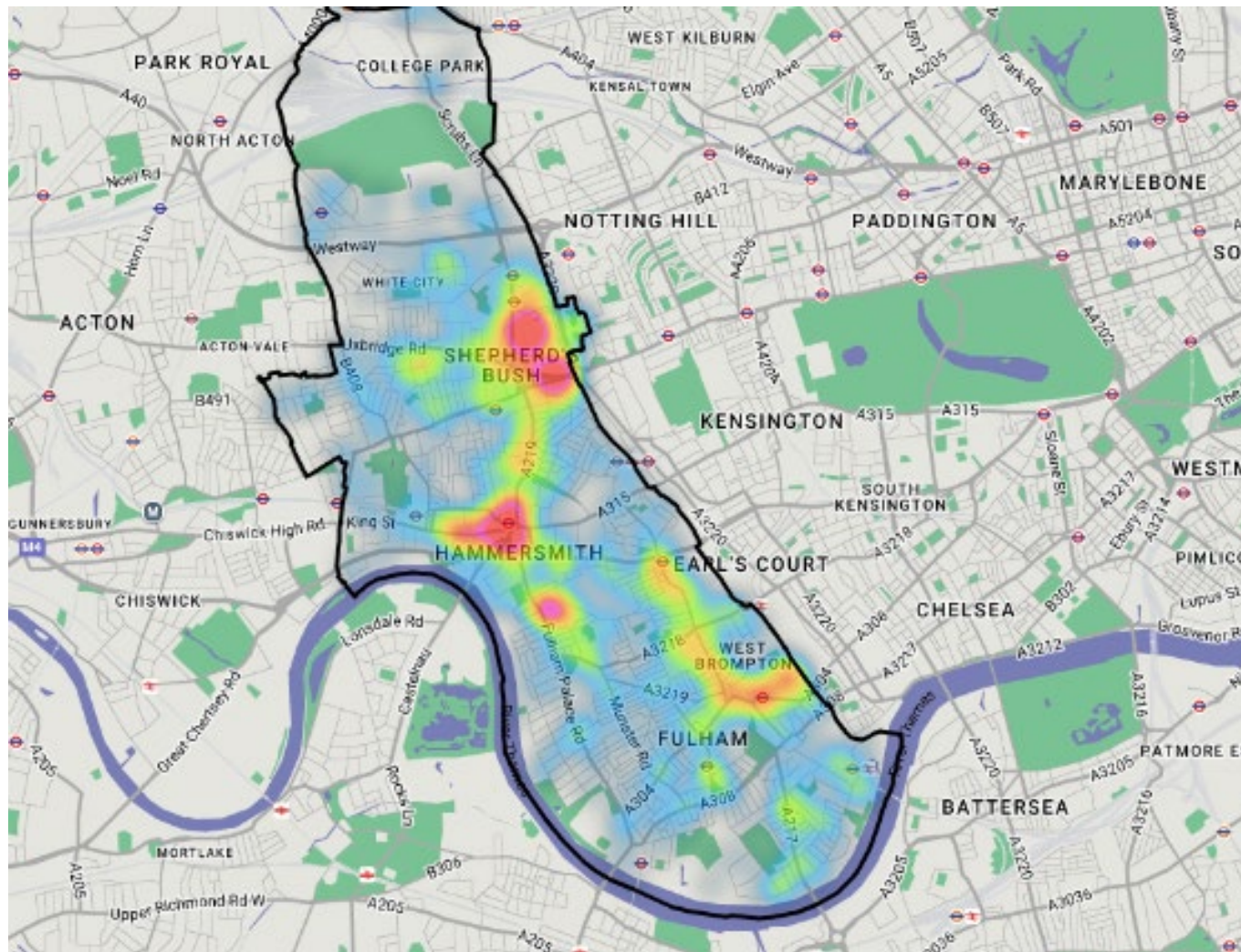
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Classification Group	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2024	Dec 2024	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Mar 2025	Apr 2025	May 2025	Jun 2025	Jul 2025	Aug 2025	Incident Count
DRUG OFFENCES	1	4	8	4	5	2	1	1	7	11	7	1	52
NON-CRIME	16	28	25	23	23	20	35	24	20	21	22	36	293
PUBLIC ORDER OFFENCES	5	8	8	9	1	4	6	8	2	10	7	4	72
THEFT	16	17	17	19	14	16	14	9	22	11	5	11	171
VIOLENCE AGAINST THE PERSON	12	21	15	14	11	15	27	10	25	10	33	9	202
Incident Count	50	78	73	69	54	57	83	52	76	63	74	61	790

Annex 3:

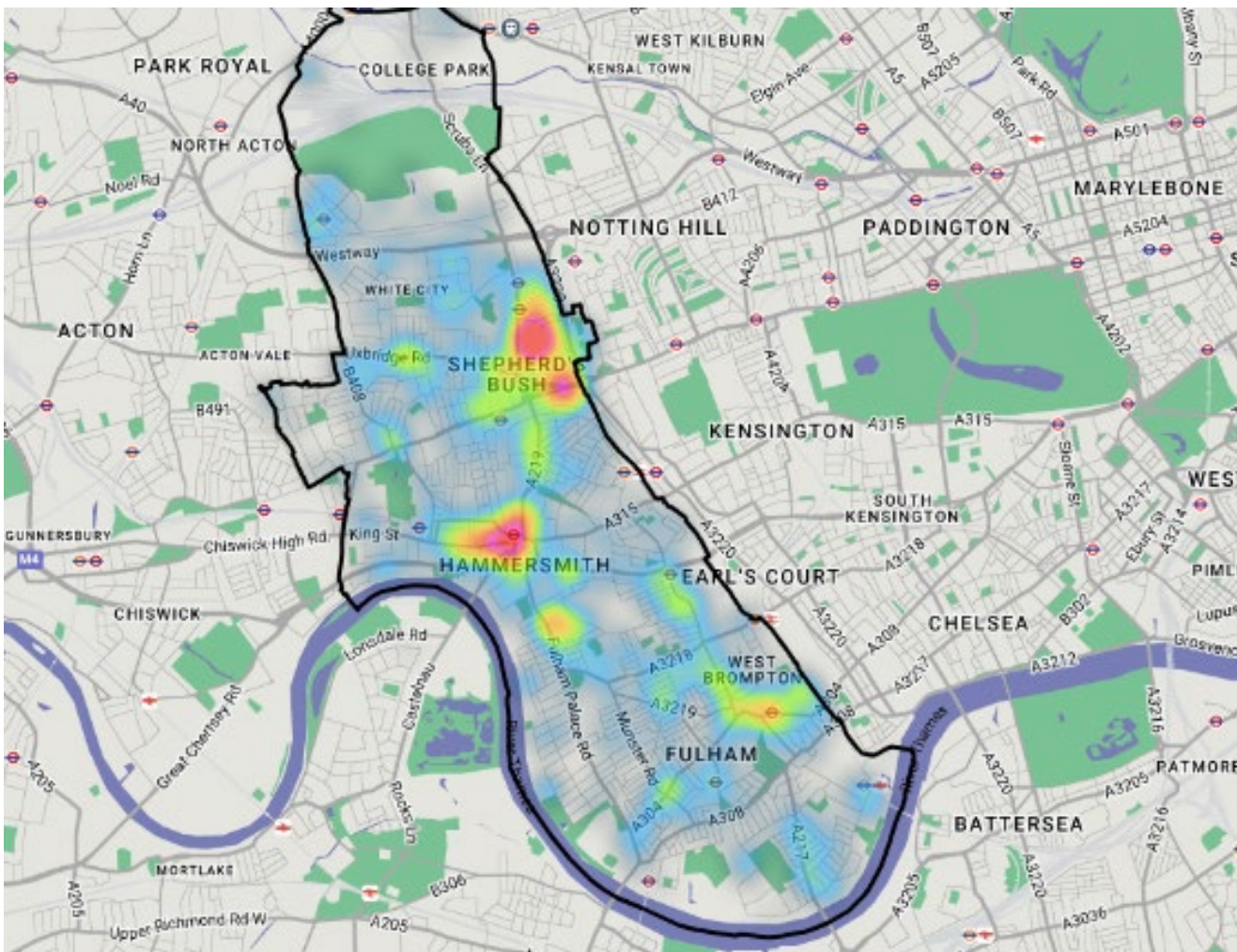
June 2025 – Crime Map



May 2025 – Crime Map



April 2025 – Crime Map



WITNESS STATEMENT

Criminal Procedure Rules, r 27. 2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9; Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.5B

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Statement of: PC Simon Brett 3274AW

Age if under 18: Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: Police Officer

This statement (consisting of 2 page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Witness Signature:  3274AW Date: 03/09/2025

This statement relates to a licensing breach application for SHAN LOCAL FULHAM BROADWAY.

I am the local dedicated ward officer for Walham Green, part of the Fulham safer neighbourhoods unit. I have been in this role for 5 years. I have been a police officer for 11 years. Part of my role involves dealing with anti social behaviour and problem solving in order to safeguard local residents and improve the general safety of the area. We often receive intelligence and information from members of the public which assists us in identifying problems that need to be tackled.

We also interact with businesses as they play a key role in the local community which is largely a residential area with a Broadway shopping district to serve local residents and workers.

The venue itself is an off licence, SHAN LOCAL 51 FULHAM BROADWAY SW6. This is located on a high street, part of the Fulham Broadway area. The venue is close by to a number of residential properties including a large housing estate and many flats above shops. There are also numerous pubs close by.

I have not personally had any interactions with the staff or venue in my day to day duties. Licensing checks are carried out by a specialist police licensing team.

However, in my time as a dedicated ward officer in this area I have been made aware through intel reports and word of mouth that there is anti social behaviour and possible drug dealing occurring just outside the venue SHAN LOCAL. Whilst on patrol I have at times passed by the venue and seen groups of young males hanging outside but not witnessed any criminal activity. Most of my patrols do take part in the daytime.

Previously going back a few years we have also had reports that local shoplifters sell on stolen items to the venue. Again, this is intel that has not been corroborated but it is rare we get complaints about businesses so the fact that SHAN LOCAL has come up in a number of complaints is concerning.

Witness Signature:  3274AW

Signature Witnessed by Signature:

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Continuation of Statement of: 3274W

Off licences can be an attraction for groups to gather outside and drink which may be harmless but can also cause ASB and intimidation to residents and passers by. As such the venue has an obligation to deter this behaviour and not allow it to become a meeting hub that encourages street drinking and rowdy behaviour.

I understand the licencing team have visited the venue and found a number of licencing breaches. I support the Hammersmith & Fulham Police licensing team in taking any actions they deem necessary to safeguard the public, deter crime and ASB and enforce licencing laws. Whilst it may seem small in the grand scheme of things, low level crime and ASB can build up and then have a day day to detrimental effect on the community. The best way to tackle this is to intervene early and solve problems before they escalate.

Whilst I have not taken any direct police action on SHAN LOCAL to provide as evidence, I as the local safer neighbourhoods officer support the licensing team's application of licence breaches.

Witness Signature: 3274W

Signature Witnessed by Signature:

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