

WITNESS STATEMENT

(CJ Act 1967. s. 9, MC Act 1980, s.s.5A (3a) and 5B MC Rules 1981, r70)

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Occupation: Licensing and Security Consultant

Age if under 18: Over 18 *(over 18 insert "over 18")*

This statement (consisting of 14 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.

Dated the 10th February 2026

Signature: D J Butterworth

This report has been produced in relation to an investigation pertaining to an application for a variation of a premises licence at Wendy's at 189-191 Camden High Street Camden NW1 7BP.

Qualifications and Experience

1. I am an independent licensing consultant and a former Police Inspector, having completed 30 years' service with the Greater Manchester Police in a variety of uniform and non-uniformed roles.
2. The longest period of attachment to a department was between 1998 and 2006 when I performed the role of Force Licensing Inspector. This role involved the supervision of 12 divisional licensing officers, tasking and management of a covert licensing unit comprising a sergeant and six constables, developing force policy and enforcement in relation to all licensed units and employment and briefing of a licensing solicitor to act on behalf of the force in more complex licensing hearings.
3. During the period as the Force Licensing Inspector, I was responsible for the good conduct of outlets involved in selling alcohol but also those that provided gambling, betting and bingo facilities. I have represented Greater Manchester Police at Magistrates' Court hearings, Crown Court Appeals, The High Court and Council Licensing Committee hearings to oppose unsuitable applications and to take enforcement action against those premises whose standards had fallen

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below an acceptable level. I was responsible for the Force's response to support the Government led Alcohol Misuse Enforcement Campaigns (AMEC) which was highly acclaimed for reducing alcohol related crime and disorder.

4. Throughout my period in the central licensing role Assistant Chief Constable Robert Taylor, also from the Greater Manchester Police, was the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) lead spokesman on Alcohol and Licensing matters. As a result of this connection, I became secretariat to the ACPO National Licensing officers' group and National Licensing Forum (NLF). The latter group was comprised of trade organisations including the British Beer and Pub Association, Retail Trade Consortium, Business in Sport and Leisure, Magistrates Association, Justices Clerks Society, Local Government Association, Home Office, and Department for Culture, Media and Sport. During the period above, these groups scrutinised and made recommendations for amendments to the proposed Green and White papers, which were subsequently presented to the House of Commons as the Licensing Act 2003.
5. In 2006 on leaving the Central Licensing Unit I received a Chief Officer's Commendation, recognising the contribution I had made to licensing enforcement across Greater Manchester, particularly in relation to my leadership and commitment shown in developing force policy and training in response to the Licensing Act 2003.
6. Between 2006 and my retirement from the Greater Manchester Police in December 2010 I took up the role of Neighbourhood Inspector for the town of Heywood on the Rochdale division. I continued to work with the licensed trade in that area to improve safety in and around licensed premises and reduce crime and disorder. I was chairperson of the Heywood Pub Watch and closed several premises in the town that failed in their licensing objectives using my powers under the Licensing Act 2003 and subsequent amendments.
7. In recent years I have continued my professional development regarding licensing knowledge by taking and passing the National Licensees Certificate and National Door Supervisors courses. This enabled me both to successfully apply for a Personal Licence and to become approved by the Security Industry Authority (SIA) as a front line operative. In September 2011 I successfully applied to become a nominated tutor with the British Institute of Inn keeping enabling me to carry out training in the award for responsible alcohol retailing and the award for personal licence holders which are National Vocational Qualifications. Annually and lately in February 2023 I attended a Licensing Seminar to update solicitors, council officers and practitioners on licensing changes.
8. Since January 2011 I have worked in a consultancy role with licensed premises in Basingstoke, Bedford, Birmingham, Blackpool, Brighton, Bristol, Bromsgrove, Canterbury, Cardiff, Chester, Derby, Guildford, Harrogate, Huddersfield, Lancaster, Leeds, Lincoln, London, Manchester, Mildenhall, Newcastle, Northampton, Nottingham, Preston, Sheffield, Skipton, St. Helens, Stratford, Torquay, Trafford, Watford, Worcester and York, producing strategies aimed at reducing crime and disorder in and around venues. In addition to conducting investigations on behalf of operators I have also been engaged by Camden LBC (see further information below), and residents in Cardiff, Chester, City of London, Newcastle and York to conduct observations and reports on licensed venues. I would estimate that since January 2011 I have visited more than 2,500 premises licensed under the Licensing Act 2003. In all these cases I believe that I have been able to make a positive impact on the licensing objectives. Only one venue has

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subsequently suffered a second review application following my guidance. This venue continues to operate following further interventions being made.

9. In further support of my independence from operators influencing my report I feel that it is important to expand on the investigation that I conducted on behalf of Camden Council in 2018. The enquiry was in relation to an application for a renewal of a sex establishment licence (SEV). I was able to visit the venue on a number of occasions and obtain evidence that the venue was breaching the terms of its SEV licence. Despite evidence submitted by the venue from 2 former Metropolitan police officers that the venue was fully compliant with its licence, the evidence that I was able to obtain was accepted by the appeal court and supported the Councils decision in restricting the extent of the licence.
10. I am experienced in the production of independent written reports and giving evidence before Licensing Sub-Committees and Magistrates' Courts. It is important to stress that in carrying out this work, I act independently, record what I see and express my own opinions. I am aware that my primary role and duty is to assist the committee or court in reaching its decision.
11. I do not profess to be a noise or acoustic expert. However, I have taken basic noise readings during this investigation to support my own audible perception and to be more informative to the reader.

Scope of investigation

12. I have been requested by Nicola Smith of Squires Patton and Boggs law practice to conduct an investigation at Wendy's on Camden High Street Camden, following a decision by the Licensing Authority to refuse the variation of the licence to extend their opening hours. This report and investigation seeks to establish an independent assessment of the area under its current operating hours and whilst operating under a Temporary Event Notice. The following terms of reference for the investigation have been agreed with those instructing me.
 - (a) Audit the representations and assess the veracity of the evidence.
 - (b) Conduct observations during the venues current operating hours.
 - (c) Conduct observations whilst the premises is operated under a Temporary Event Notice.
 - (d) Conduct a licensed premises compliance check.
 - (e) Compile a report of my findings.
 - (f) Consider any recommendations that may be necessary to ensure the venue supports the Licensing Objectives.
 - (g) Attend any future licensing hearings to assist the committee/court in any aspects of the report.
13. In preparation for my visit, and to focus my investigation on the principal matters of concern, I have seen and read the previous variation application, current premises licence, representations to the previous variation application, decision notice and the Camden Licensing Policy. I have also seen the proposed list of conditions and additional policies that have been suggested by the applicant should a new variation application be successful.

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14. The majority of the representations concerned Crime and disorder currently occurring in the area, and the public nuisance Licensing Objectives. I could see no evidence submitted in the previously failed variation application that criticised the current hours of operation or showed that the venue did not promote all four of the licensing objectives. I have also noted that no representations were raised by the Metropolitan Police or Camden EHO to the application for a temporary event notice.

Police.UK website

15. In order to risk assess my visit to this area I have conducted a review of the Police.UK website. Camden High Street comes under the Camden Town policing area of the Metropolitan police. The area suffers an average of 358 crimes per month (January-December 2025), which is high considering the size of the policing area compared to other London areas. In December 2025 the four highest crime categories were: theft from the person (62); violence and sexual offences (56); other theft (51) and anti-social behaviour (46). The current policing priorities are Working with partner agencies and conducting police operations to prevent Violence Against Women and Girls, specifically during the Night Time Economy, tackling the drugs market in Camden Town, tackling prolific shoplifters focussed primarily on the hot spot location of Camden High Street, and ASB - Counterfeit Goods. (source police.uk).

16. The vast majority of crimes in the Camden Town area are located around the Camden Town underground station which services the Northern line. I have conducted a review of the crime locations during 2025 which is consistent throughout the year in terms of crime location. Unfortunately, the website cannot be interrogated to provide individual locations or times of incidents. I have produced from the website crime data for December 2025 (exhibit reference letter DJB 2 refers), which is indicative of the crime data throughout 2025.

Venue and operators

17. Wendy's have operated at this site since June 2022. In March and April 2024, the venue traded until 2 am on a series of Temporary Event Notices (TENS). In May 2024 the venue successfully applied for a licence to operate until Midnight Sunday –Thursday and until 1 am Friday and Saturday.

Camden Licensing Policy (2025-2030)

18. At paragraph 6.6 of its policy states in relation to street drinking, "The Licensing Authority alongside its partners will implement targeted initiative to reduce street drinking, such as bottle marking, training and the prevention of some alcohol types being sold e.g., white ciders". Street drinking was observed during this investigation. The majority was done without incident, as people left licensed premises still consuming alcohol from plastic glasses, or as they moved through the area.

19. Of more concern was a group of street drinkers and drug users (cannabis and nitrous oxide), who congregated in a group of up to 30 in number around the public seating area at the junction of Camden High Street and Kentish Town Road. This group were intimidating by their number and suspicions of other people in the area. Their behaviour was often rowdy and aggressive. I understand that Camden Town has a Public Spaces Protection Order in place for dog fouling,

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but not in relation to alcohol consumption. I further understand that this policy is going to consultation in March 2026. I would be happy for the council to use any part of my investigation or observation if this would be beneficial in that process.

20. At paragraph 8.2 and 8.3 the policy states in respect of restaurant type premises, "These types of premises when well managed provide a valuable contribution to the community, its residents, visitors and workers. Premises used primarily as restaurants as defined in this policy are not generally associated with high levels of crime, disorder, anti-social behaviour and nuisance. However, operators should take extra care where customers use external areas of the premises for dining or smoking to ensure they do not have an impact on the licensing objectives".

Section 182 Guidance

21. At paragraph 11.7 the guidance states that a complaint such as a general (Crime and Disorder) situation in a town centre should generally not be regarded as relevant unless it can be positively tied or linked to by causal connection to a particular premises. Many of the representations relate to the area in general, with little or no criticism of the current operator. Although this view is formed from a review of the representations and crime statistics to an earlier application, it is also supported by the current policing priorities for the area on the police.uk website.

Thursday 29th January 2026

22. My first period of observations in relation to this investigation took place on Thursday 29th January 2026. This date was chosen as at a recent hearing in Fulham residents had criticised the applicant for requesting visits on a Friday and Saturday nights, which have historically been the two busiest evenings of the week. It also allowed a comparison to be made on a weekday and weekend night. This date was also the last Thursday of the month and historically pay day for those workers who got paid monthly. The footfall, vehicle counts and emergency response vehicles passing through the area clearly showed that Thursday remained much quieter than the Friday, which, for Camden Town remained the busiest day.
23. I arrived at Camden Town underground station at 2155 hours and my observations ceased at 0500 hours the following morning. I had been informed that a TEN had been submitted for this period of observations from 2300-0500 hours. I recorded what I saw and heard into a notes document which I later transferred into a record of observations log for the purpose of this report (exhibit reference letter DJB 1 refers). As I exited the station I noticed 3 metropolitan police riders and motor cycles were parked in the pedestrianised area outside the station.
24. I located the Wendy's site on the corner of Camden High Street and Parkway. The venue had a single entrance/ exit door and operated across the ground and first floor. The ground floor had a cooking area two serving areas and limited seating (6 stools). The first floor had toilets and more extensive fixed seating areas. Also open at this time were Pizza Warehouse, The Elephant's Head, Oxford Arms, KFC (closes at 2330), Amorimo, Bucks Head, Ma Petite, I Scream for Dessert, Camden Burger Company, Popeyes (no SIA), Pure GYM (open 24-hour), The Worlds End, Abu Afif, London Famous Jazz Venue, (open 2300, 0300 at weekends), Odeon Cinema, Vegan Planet, Five Guys, Boba and More, Temple of Seitan, Earl of Camden, Spread Eagle, Camden Local Store, Tesco Express, Chicken Shop, Aldi, Blues Kitchen Bar, Mowchi, Merkur Slots (open 24-hour), The Camden Head (open 0200, 0300 Friday and Saturday), Momos, Game

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Nation (open 24-hour), McDonald's (open until 0145, no SIA), Taco Bell, Hawkster, King of Falafel, Subway (open until 2300. 0500 Friday and Saturday), Woody's, Grill Kebab, Supersave Food and Wine, Chicken King, Camden Eye, Capital Food and Wine and Grounded.

25. I did not need to look around the area for signs of local authority controlled cameras as two such cameras were located immediately outside the venue at the junction of Camden High Street and Parkway. These cameras appeared to give a clear and unobstructed line of sight around the outside area of Wendy's and a limited but unobstructed view into the entrance passageway.
26. I then looked around the area for signs of residential accommodation. These are often easy to distinguish from business premises due to their entrance doorways and variable lighting due to TV screens. I could find no signs of any obvious residential occupation at ground floor level. I was also unable to locate any residential accommodation at first floor level and above, in the immediate vicinity of the Wendy's location. The nearest accommodation that I could confirm were definitely residential was above the Oriental Supermarket on Parkway and East of Camden Town underground station, above Grill Kebab and Supersave Food and Wine, on Kentish Town Road.
27. At 2221 I entered the Wendy's venue where 9 people were located on the ground floor and 6 people on the first floor. Two SIA licensed security officers were present, one on each floor. Both of these officers wore a high visibility jacket with their SIA licences in arm bands and both wore a body worn camera. I saw that the TEN was prominently displayed inside the venue which I photographed (exhibit reference letter DJB 3 refers).
28. At 2300 I commenced a footfall and vehicle count of Wendy's customers, pedestrians and vehicles passing through the area during the period that Wendy's were operating under a TEN. This could then be compared with a period when no TEN was in place to see if Wendy's attracted people into the area, increasing footfall and vehicle traffic or not. The result of these counts are within my record of observations log (exhibit reference letter DJB 1 refers) and have been transferred into a table below (exhibit reference letter DJB 4 refers).
29. At 2345 the three metropolitan police motor cyclists left the area. At 2353 a metropolitan police vehicle travelled past the venue at speed with its siren and blue light operating. This was a regular occurrence throughout the night with emergency response vehicles passing through the area. As this was the single most noise disturbance heard during these observations I recorded each instance that they occurred. These are referenced in my record of observations log (exhibit reference letter DJB 1) and also in the table (Exhibit reference letter DJB 4).
30. At midnight the Camden Town underground station closed although staff from the station wearing orange high visibility clothing were seen regularly entering and exiting the station whilst carrying out maintenance work. A number of these staff were seen to enter Wendy's for refreshments. Still open in the area at 0100 were Wendy's, King of Falafel, Pure Gym, Camden Burger Company, Elephant's Head, Oxford Arms, Pizza Warehouse, Grill Kebab, Supersave Food and Wine Camden Eye, Chicken King, Woody's, Camden Local Store, McDonald's, Game Nation, Camden Head, Blues Kitchen, Merkur, Boba and More, and the Dublin Castle. A rough sleeper was laid in the doorway to Marks and Spencer. A heavy goods vehicle was delivering to Boots. I entered Wendy's and no customers were present.

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31. At 0142 hours a staff member from Wendy's was seen to conduct a litter pick around the area. This litter pick did not just collect rubbish from the immediate area but went along Camden High Street and Parkway. Further litter picks were observed by staff at Wendy's at 0309, 0404 and 0458 hours. No litter picking was observed outside any of the other take away venues.
32. Still open at 0300 were Wendy's, King of Falafel, Pure Gym, Pizza Warehouse, Grill Kebab, Supersave Food and Wine, Chicken King, Game Nation and Merkur. 1 customer was in the downstairs part of Wendy's. The door staff stopped me from going upstairs, saying that the area was now closed. At 0440 King of Falafel was seen to close. At 0458 a litter pick was seen by staff from Wendy's and the front doors were closed after they returned inside. Still open at 0500 are Supersave Food and Wine, Merkur, Game Nation and Pure Gym. The rough sleeper remained in the door way to Marks and Spencer. No further incidents of note took place and I ceased my observations and left the area.

Friday 30th January 2026

33. I returned to the Camden Town area at 2153 on this evening and my observations ceased at 0500 the following morning. I again recorded what I saw and heard into a notes document which I later transferred into a record of observations log for the purpose of this report (exhibit reference letter DJB 1 refers). On this occasion only 2 police motor cycles were parked on the pedestrianised area outside the station although a third rider was seen to join them later in my observations. A Camden Safe Hub vehicle was also parked on the pedestrianised area opposite the exit to the station on this evening.
34. Wendy's was operating and also open at this time were Pure Gym, Popeye's, Camden Burger Company, I Scream, Electric Ballroom, El Cenote, Petite Jamaica, Nikita Off Licence, Made in Brazil, Saikou, Ramore, Wandering Grapes, The Good Mixer, Bucks Head, Amorino, KFC (closes at midnight), Elephant's Head, Oxford Arms, Pizza Warehouse, Poppies Fish and Chips, Devonshire Arms, Chicken King, Iro Sushi, Capital Food and Wine, Grounded, Supersave Food and Wine, Grill Kebab, Camden Eye, Woody's, Subway (closes at 0500), King of Falafel, Worlds End, Abu Afif, Tesco Express, Chicken Shop, Camden Local Store, Hawker, Aldi (articulated lorry making delivery), Taco Bell, McDonald's (closes 0145), Games Nation (24-hour), Blues Kitchen, Momos, Camden Head (closes 0300), Merkur (open 24-hour), Mowchi, London Famous Jazz Venue (closes 0300), Odeon, Five Guys, Good Fare, Japes, Jamon Jamon, Pizza Pilgrims, Boba and More, Temple of Seitan, Quick Market, Earl of Camden, Spread Eagle, Namaaste kitchen, Dublin Castle, and Sushi Serenade. The rough sleeper was again in the entrance doorway to Marks and Spencer.
35. At 2230 I entered Wendy's 13 customers were in the downstairs area and 11 customers occupied the upstairs. 1 SIA door supervisor wearing their badge, high visibility jacket and body camera was located on each floor. At 2300 a club called Underworld opened in the basement to The World's End bar which had not been seen to open the previous night. The evening was much busier than the previous night with more bars open and more people walking through the area. Litter picking was again seen to take place by staff at Wendy's from 2313 hours and repeated at 0113, 0301, and 0424 hours.
36. Between 2300 and 2320 I attempted to conduct a footfall count of pedestrians walking through the area. The figure was well in excess of 900 and due to the congestion created it was

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impossible to achieve any realistic count. As the evening and night progressed, I was able to conduct more accurate counts of footfall and vehicle traffic which are detailed in my exhibit reference letter DJB 4.

37. At 0008 a group of 8 youths walked along Camden High Street. One of the group had an amplified music player which was playing music loudly. The group located themselves outside Camden Station playing their music. I took a noise level reading which gave a peak of 92dB. The group did not move and no action was taken by the police motor cycle riders to prevent this occurring. At the same time a mobile burger trolley set up outside the HSBC. A group of around 25-30 street drinkers were congregating in the seating area outside HSBC and others would join and then leave the group. Members of the group would frequently start arguing amongst themselves. Some of this group were later observed sniffing helium from balloons.
38. Still open in the area at 0100 hours were London Famous Jazz Venue, Dublin Castle, Pure Gym, Underworld, World's End, Camden Local Store, Chicken Shop, McDonald's, Game Nation, Merkur, Blues Kitchen, Camden Head, King of Falafel, Subway, Woody's, Camden Eye, Grill Kebab, Supersave Food and Wine, Grounded, Capital Food and Wine, Chicken King, Iro Sushi, Devonshire Arms, Pizza Warehouse, Oxford Arms, Petite Jamaica, Jungla, Good Mixer, Camden Burger Company, and Camden Station.
39. At 0143 hours a male and female from the group of street drinkers have a heated argument outside the HSBC bank. The Camden safety van remains outside Camden underground station. I entered Wendy's where I saw three customers downstairs and 0 customers upstairs. Still open at 0300 were Famous London Jazz Venue, Wendy's, Pure Gym, Game Nation, Merkur, Camden Head, Blues Kitchen, Camden Burger Company, Pizza Warehouse, Chicken King, Capital Food and Wine, Supersave Food and Wine, Camden Eye, Grill Kebab, Subway, King of Falafel. The group of street drinkers had grown to approx. 30, drinking alcohol, consuming hot food and inhaling helium from balloons whilst listening to music on a speaker system.
40. By 0315 hours the group outside HSBC had reduced to 10 in number. At 0408 hours a double decker bus which advertised as a party bus travelled through Camden Town past Wendy's. Loud music could clearly be heard and people could be seen dancing and singing on the bus. I managed to measure the sound from the bus as it passed at 82dB.
41. At 0440 hours I conducted a licensed premises compliance check with the shift manager from Wendy's. The premises was fully compliant with its legal, premises licence, and industry best practices. Still open at 0450 were Wendy's, King of Falafel, Subway (1 customer), Grill Kebab, Supersave Food and Wine, Game Nation and Merkur. At 0458 hours the doors to Wendy's are closed. Two street drinkers remained outside HSBC. The rough sleeper remained in the doorway to Marks and Spencer. No further noteworthy incidents occurred and at 0500 hours I ceased my observations and left the area.

Thursday 5th February 2026

42. I returned to the Camden Town area of London on Thursday 5th February 2026 to continue my investigation at Wendy's. My observations commenced on this evening at 2140 hours and concluded at 0500 hours the following morning. I again recorded what I saw and heard into a notes document which I later transferred into my observation log (exhibit reference letter DJB

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1 refers). I had been informed that no TEN had been applied for Wendy's on this evening and the premises was scheduled to close at Midnight. As I exited the underground station on to Camden High Street I noted 2 metropolitan police motor cycle riders on the pedestrianised area outside the station. A third rider joined them later in the evening.

43. Open in the area at this time were Wendy's, Pure Gym, Popeye's, Camden Burger Company, Bubble Mania, I Scream, Ma Petite, Nikitas, Made in Brazil, Jungla, Wandering Grapes, The Good Mixer, Bucks Head, Amorino, KFC, Elephants Head (live music audible outside), Oxford Arms, Pizza Warehouse, Devonshire Arms, Chicken King, Iro Sushi, Capital Food and Wine, Grounded, Supersave Food and Wine, Grill Kebab, Blue Rose sex shop, Camden Eye, Woody's, Subway, King of Falafel, Worlds End, Abu Afif, Tesco Express, Chicken Shop, Camden Local Store, Tortilla, Aldi, Taco Bell, Hawker, McDonald's, Game Nation, Momos, Mowchi, Camden Head, Blues Kitchen, Merkur, Maharani Palace, London Famous Jazz Venue, Vegan Planet, Odeon Cinema, Japes, Goodfire, Five Guys, Laz, Jamon Jamon, Temple of Seitan, Pizza Pilgrims, Purezza, Boba and More, Earl of Camden, Spread Eagle, Liang Wraps, Quick Market, Co-Op, Dublin Castle, and Doiset.
44. At 2223 I entered Wendy's where 14 customers were occupying the ground floor and the upstairs seating area had been closed off. No SIA security was present during this period of observations. I exited Wendy's at 2255 leaving 11 customers inside. During my period inside 1 moped delivery rider and 1 pedal cycle delivery rider had collected food. 11 customers were left inside, none of whom were the same as the 14 who were inside when I entered at 2223. I then continued my external observations, footfall and vehicle counts. At 2350 I noticed that the street drinkers and drug users, who numbered approximately 15, were standing outside Barclay's Bank due to the inclement weather.
45. Still open at 1am were, Camden Local Store, Game Nation, McDonald's, Camden Head, Blues Kitchen, Merkur, Dublin Castle. Pure Gym. Camden burger company, Elephants Head (music was clearly audible outside), Oxford Arms, Devonshire Arms (music was clearly audible outside), Chicken King, Iro Sushi, Capital Food and Wine, Supersave Food and Wine, Grill Kebab, Camden Eye, Woody's, and King of Falafel. People continued to use the numerous bank cash points in the area. Stores in the area which were closed used the quieter road times to restock their goods. Street cleaning and refuse collection also took place during these quieter times. At 0113 a goods delivery to Popeyes took place. As this location was within the pedestrianised zone the driver had parked their vehicle on Parkway and used a hand pulled trolley to pull pallets and metal cages to the venue. At 0155 delivery mopeds and riders continue to call at Subway even though the shutter was pulled half way down.
46. Still open at 0300 are Pure Gym, Grill Kebab, Supersave Food and Wine, King of Falafel, Chicken King, Game Nation, and Merkur. Male and female beggars are wandering around the area. Although McDonald's was closed staff were jet washing the external footpath. At 0344 King of Falafel and Grill Kebab close.
47. Still open at 0500 hours are, Game Nation, Merkur, Pure Gym, and Supersave Food and Wine. The rough sleeper remains in the doorway of Marks and Spencer. No further incidents of note occurred and I ceased my observations and left the area.

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Friday 6th February 2026

48. I returned to the Camden Town area at 2130 hours on Friday 6th February 2026 and my observations concluded at 0500 hours the following morning. I again recorded what I saw and heard into a notes document which I later transferred into my record of observations log (exhibit reference letter DJB 1 refers). I was informed that no TEN had been applied for on this evening and Wendy's would close at its current licensing hours of 0100 hours. As I exited the underground station onto Camden High Street a street promoter was handing out leaflets for events at Underworld which opened 11pm until 3am. I took one of these leaflets (exhibit reference letter DJB 5 refers). I also saw three metropolitan police motor cycles parked in the pedestrianised area, but no riders. I looked into the nearby venues but could not locate them. I noted that the Camden Safety Hub vehicle was also parked nearby. The officers may have been inside but due to the obscured windows I could not confirm this to be the case. During this period of observations, I also saw two council safety officers walking around the area and using the vehicle as a base. This had not been observed on the previous Friday nights observations.
49. I entered Wendy's where 2 customers were located downstairs and 20 customers upstairs. Also open at this time were Pure Gym, Popeye's, Camden Burger Company, Bubble Mania, I scream, Electric Ballroom, El Cenote, Ma Petite, Nikitas, Made in Brazil, Ramore, Saikou, Wandering Grapes, Good Mixer, Black Bear Burger, Bucks Head, Amorino, KFC, Elephant's Head (live music playing), Oxford Arms, Pizza Warehouse, Poppies Fish and Chips, Devonshire Arms, Chicken king, Iro Sushi, Capital Food and Wine, Supersave Food and Wine, Grounded, Grill Kebab, Blue Rose (licensed sex shop), Camden Eye, Woody's, Subway (open until 0500), King of Falafel, Blues Kitchen, Camden head. Merkur. Game nation, McDonald's, Falafel, World's End, London Famous Jazz Venue, Vegan Planet, Odeon, Goodfare, Japes, Five Guys, Laz, Jamon Jamon, Temple of Seitan, Pizza Pilgrims, Purezza, Boba and More, Earl of Camden, Spread Eagle, Quick Market, Namaaste Kitchen, Co-Op, Dublin Castle, Pizza Express, Imperial. Off Licence, Maharani Palace, Merkur, Camden Head, Momos, Game Nation, McDonald's, Mowchi, Aldi, Taco Bell, Hawker, I Repair 4 U. Tortilla, Chicken Shop, Tesco Express, Camden Local Store, and Abu Afif. The rough sleeper was in the doorway of Marks and Spencer. A heavy goods vehicle delivers to Pret.
50. Whilst walking around the area I recognised some of the street drinkers that I had seen on the previous night and during previous observations. I also noticed a smell of cannabis which was often prevalent in the Camden Town area but not in any specific location. At 2340 I entered Wendy's where 18 customers were downstairs, being supervised by 2 Sia security guards, the upstairs was closed. Both guards had their Sia licences displayed in arm bands and had body cameras attached to their jackets. Only one guard had a high visibility jacket on. Between 2320 and 2355 2 moped delivery riders were seen to enter Wendy's. I exited the venue leaving 13 customers and continued my external observations. Underworld club had opened.
51. At 0100 hours the front door to Wendy's was closed. 5 street drinkers were outside the HSBC. Two Camden safety officers are seen to walk along Camden High Street. Open in the area at this time were Pure Gym, Camden Burger Company, Ma Petite, Good Mixer, Bucks Head, Elephant's Head (music audible outside), Oxford Arms, Pizza Warehouse, Devonshire Arms (music audible outside), Chicken King, Capital Food and Wine, Grounded. Supersave Food and

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Wine, Grill Kebab, Camden Eye, W's, Subway, King of Falafel, World's End, Underworld, London's Famous Jazz Venue, Boba and More, Dublin Castle (music audible outside), Camden Local Store, McDonald's, Game Nation, Camden Head (music audible outside), Blues Kitchen (music audible outside), and Merkur.

52. Still open in the area at 0300 hours were London's Famous Jazz Club, Pure Gym, Camden Burger Company, Subway, King of Falafel, Woody's, Grill Kebab, Supersave Food and Wine, Jungla, Pizza Warehouse, Camden Eye, Chicken King, Capital Food and Wine, Blues Kitchen, Camden Head, Merkur, and Game nation. At 0350 I took photographs of the litter in two locations in Camden Town. The first was outside Ryman's stationery shop. This litter had been created by a group of inebriated males kicking rubbish bags which had been left for kerbside collection (exhibit reference letter DJB 6 refers). The second photograph was taken in the public seating area outside the HSBC where the majority of street drinkers had been congregating (exhibit reference letter DJB 7 refers). Still open at 0400 are Subway, King of Falafel, Grill Kebab, Game Nation and Merkur.
53. Still open at 0450 were Grill Kebab, King of Falafel, Subway, Supersave, Game Nation and Merkur. The rough sleeper remained in the door way of Marks and Spencer. No further, noteworthy incidents occurred and at 0500 I ceased my observations and left the area.

Summary of observations

54. Although I did not observe any serious street crime during these periods of observations the enquiries I have conducted via the police.uk website clearly indicate that criminal behaviour is prevalent in this area. The majority of this crime appears to be located in the area of the Camden Town underground station. Unfortunately, due to the limitations of the website, I cannot assess the times, or days that these incidents occur on. Litter was seen to be a problem in the area where the street drinkers congregated, but this was not litter created by Wendy's. Regardless of the source of the litter staff from Wendy's should be instructed to clean this area as part of their routine, but only when the street drinkers have left the area.
55. Car delivery drivers and moped delivery riders have been accused of creating a public nuisance within the representations to this application and in other areas of London where I have conducted similar investigations. During the observations at Wendy's, I noted that the delivery drivers and moped riders left their vehicles on Parkway and walked to the restaurant. On no occasions did I see these mopeds travelling along the footpath or driving onto the pedestrianised area. No nuisance was caused by the parking or use of these vehicles due to the amount of other traffic passing through the area, which included cars, other mopeds and emergency service vehicles.
56. I observed that the Metropolitan police appear to have designated the area outside Camden Town Station as a fixed patrol area for police motor cyclists when not directed to respond to incidents. These patrols stopped before Midnight on the Thursday evenings and before 0030 hours on Saturday mornings. I also noticed that the Camden safety hub was parked on Camden High Street on the Friday nights until 0245 hours. Unfortunately, the vehicle had left the area before the end of trading hours for many revellers in the area and street drinkers who remained in the area after this time.

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57. Whilst operating under its temporary event notice, Wendys provided a quieter, well lit and non-alcohol led environment than that which was experienced around Camden Town underground station. As the TEN's ran until 0500 this well-lit, safer environment with CCTV coverage and SIA licensed security offered a safe haven for its customers until the closure at 0500 hours. It was evident from the large number of young female customers witnessed using the premises in the early hours of the morning that they did not feel apprehensive or intimidated by the internal environment. This fulfils the Camden licensing strategy of creating safe spaces in the night time economy.
58. Whilst moving around the Camden Town area it was noticeable that some areas were less well lit than others. The less well-lit areas were often frequented by groups, often males, who by their nature appeared to be just hanging around the area. The smell of cannabis was also prevalent around these locations. In contrast the area around the corner entrance to Wendy's was better lit, had CCTV coverage and provided a more welcoming place to stand whilst in the location.
59. The only disorder and nuisance observed during this period of observations was from the group of street drinkers and drug users that were attracted to the seating area outside the HSBC bank. This group were often rowdy in nature, shouting at passers-by for no apparent reason and arguing between themselves. On occasions members of this group were seen to be filling and inhaling balloons with Nitrous Oxide gas. At its peak the group consisted of up to 30 people of varying ages. Names in the group which had been shouted out were Richard (an out of work electrician), and a male (age approx. 60), who said their name was Robert Smith. A female from the group, calling themselves Kerry, was often seen to be begging from passers-by.
60. There appeared to be a disconnect between the hours that venues operated in the area and the hours permitted on the premises licenses on the Camden Council website. This may be as a result of the website not being up to date with recent decisions, temporary event notices being issued or premises operating outside the hours on their licence.
61. Two of the adult gaming centres in the area operated 24-hour, 7 days a week. A number of the alcohol led licensed premises operated until 0300 hours on a Friday and Saturday morning, playing live and recorded music into the early morning hours. Alcohol was available off the premises in the area 24-hour, 7 days a week.
62. The largest noise in the area from licensed premises was heard outside alcohol led clubs playing loud live and recorded music which could be heard outside the venues up until 0300 hours on Saturday and Sunday mornings. The remaining noise was generated from general foot or vehicle traffic and from emergency service vehicles passing through the area whilst operating their sirens (see exhibit reference letter DJB 4 below). This record of passing vehicles only covered response vehicles travelling along Parkway and Camden High Street past Wendy's. The list does not cover emergency response vehicles that travelled along Bayham Street, south towards central London. Although these sirens could clearly be heard and would have created a noise nuisance to residents in that part of Camden Town, I was unable to view the cause of the disturbance from my observation position. Noise created by the low level of customers and delivery riders to Wendy's could not be heard above the general ambient noise of the revellers and passing vehicles.

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Analysis of footfall and vehicle traffic

63. Having gathered footfall and motor vehicle traffic numbers through the area I have conducted an analysis of those figures and can make the following observations. In terms of footfall Friday nights/ Saturday mornings have more people passing through Camden Town on foot than on a Thursday in every time category. On evenings when Wendy's operated under a temporary event notice until 0500, footfall through the area was lower on the evenings when a temporary event notice was in place, and higher on evenings without a TEN in place, in every time category. In my experience this provides irrefutable evidence that Wendy's operating later in the evening does not attract an increase in people into the Camden Town area.
64. In terms of motor vehicle traffic through the area, more vehicles travelled through Camden Town on a Friday/ Saturday morning than on a Thursday/ Friday morning. This occurred in every time category except on the 29th January at 00:20 (484>330) and at 02:20 (287>276).
65. In terms of emergency response vehicles passing along Camden High Street and Parkway with their sirens sounding, Friday evening (33 events) created more than double the number of emergency response calls than on a Thursday evenings (15). On evenings when Wendy's operated under a temporary event notice 22 emergency response vehicle passed through the location. On evenings when no temporary event notice was in place, 26 emergency response vehicles travelled through Camden Town with their sirens sounding. I also note that the emergency response vehicles on the Thursday 29th January (9 events) was higher than the emergency response vehicles on Thursday 5th February 2026 (6 events). None of these emergency response calls were to attend any incidents at Wendy's.

Recommendation

66. a) There should be no external speakers.
- b) A notice should be clearly visible to all customers that they are leaving into a residential area and to keep noise to a minimum.
- c) A notice should advise delivery drivers/ riders to wait inside the premises when waiting for orders to be prepared and not to wait around outside the premises. Any driver found not to be complying with this request will be given a written warning that any future breaches will result in them being removed from the delivery service.
- d) The Licence Holder will take all necessary steps to ensure that the area is kept clear of waste. This should include a litter pick map area which includes the area where the street drinkers congregate.
- e) The operator will continue to risk assess the need for SIA security at the location at times when the conditions on the current licence do not require them.

These recommendations are made having visited the Camden Town Wendy's whilst operating under normal operating hours and whilst operating under Temporary Event Notices.

Conclusions

67. Having visited numerous restaurant /take away premises in the London area and observed how they operate, I can state that the vast majority of operators promote the licensing objectives and their customers are law abiding and behave in a responsible manner. Wendy's at Camden

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Town is not a destination venue, nor will it become a destination venue should the variation be approved. The majority of people out and about in Camden Town are either local residents or are attracted to the area by venues, playing popular music and alcohol led clubs and bars. In my experience of fast-food types of venues, I can state that they are at their peak trading hours at times when the local area is at its busiest. From the vehicle and footfall counts conducted in Camden this was around 2300 hours. The area however remained busy and noisy until 0230 hours on Fridays and 0330 hours on Saturday mornings.

68. Delivery vehicle drivers and delivery moped riders have been cited as being problematic in this and other locations of London that I have conducted investigations. I noted the location that the delivery drivers and mopeds parked their vehicles during the current licensing hours and during the period of the TEN. Delivery drivers always parked their vehicles in the parking area on Parkway. Delivery moped riders always left their mopeds behind the structure in the road on Parkway which already closes off the inside lane of traffic. No traffic obstruction or additional noise nuisance was created by the delivery drivers and riders during Wendy's current operational hours, or during the periods of the TEN's. I noted that delivery moped riders and drivers collecting orders from Popeyes also parked in these same locations.
69. During this investigation I also considered the likely use of the venue during the late evening and early morning trading periods and whether a different customer base would be attracted to the venue who may behave in a different manner, leading to an undermining of the licensing objectives. I did not observe any evidence during the current trading hours or during the TENs to support this.
70. As the number of restaurants operating 24-hour increases across the country the need for delivery drivers and riders to operate outside a small localised area reduces. This is also the case for customers who use the premises for take away services or for a sit-down meal who attend on foot to local restaurants. It is therefore more likely that the food delivery order and restaurant customers would continue to be from people already in the local community.
71. Whilst conducting this investigation I considered the impact on local residents by the increase in operating hours which would be traded should the appeal be successful. In my experience of reviewing the evidence at this, and other areas where 24-hour operations are successfully operating I believe that no adverse impact would be created by these later trading hours due to the pedestrian and vehicle traffic already present in Camden Town during those additional hours.
72. The main purpose of this investigation and its terms of reference, was to carry out an analysis of Wendy's under its current operating hours and when operating under TENs until 0500 hours. Whether the additional hours sought under the variation is likely to lead to an increase in footfall into the area, lead to an increase in crime and disorder, additional public nuisance and public safety issues, thereby undermining the licensing objectives. Wendy's has demonstrated by operating and having its UK head office at this challenging location that they currently promote the licensing objectives.
73. I saw no difference in how Wendy's operated under its current hours compared with what I observed during the TEN periods. No additional crime and disorder was created during the TEN periods. No additional footfall was introduced into Camden Town as a result of Wendy's

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operating increased hours. What I saw and heard during this investigation showed that Wendy's would continue to promote the licensing objectives should the variation application be successful.

74. These conclusions are based on my previous 30 years' experience as a police officer and 15 years' experience as an independent licensing consultant.

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Licensing and Security Consultant

Appendix

Exhibit reference letter DJB 1 Record of observations log Thursday 29th & Friday 30th January, Thursday 5th & Friday 6th February 2026.

Exhibit reference letter DJB 2 police.uk crime data picture December 2025.

Exhibit reference letter DJB 3a-3d 4 x Photographs of temporary event notice and other signage.

Exhibit reference letter DJB 4 Table of footfall, motor vehicle and emergency service vehicles.

Exhibit reference letter DJB 5 Leaflet for Underworld night club advertising opening hours.

Exhibit reference letter DJB 6 Photograph of rubbish Camden High Street.

Exhibit reference letter DJB 7 Photograph of rubbish left in area frequented by street drinkers.

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Observations Log PRO FORMA Exh ref letter DJB

Premises

Name of premises	Wendy's
Address of premises	189-191 Camden High Street London
Day/ Date of visit	Thursday 29 th and Friday 30 th January 2026, Thursday 5 th and Friday 6 th February 2026.
Name of consultant conducting visit	Darrell Butterworth

Time	Comment
	Thursday 29th January 2026
2157	I arrived on Camden High Road after exiting Camden Town underground station. 3 Metropolitan police officers were standing in front of the station exit along with 3 police motor cycles. At 2158 one of the officers stopped a male who had leapt over the card barrier and made them return inside the station to pay. I located the Wendy's restaurant at the junction of Camden High Street and Parkway. Wendy's was open as were: Pizza Warehouse, The Elephants Head, Oxford Arms, KFC (closes at 2330), Amorimo, Bucks Head, Ma Petite, I Scream for Dessert, Camden Burger Company, Popeyes (no SIA), Pure GYM (open 24-hour), The Worlds End, Abu Afif, World Famous Jazz Venue, (open 2300, 0300 at weekends), Odeon Cinema, Vegan Planet, Five Guys, Boba and More, Temple of Seitan, Earl of Camden, Spread Eagle, Camden Local Store, Tesco Express, Chicken Shop, Aldi, Blues Kitchen Bar, Mowchi, Merkhur Slots, The Camden Head (open 0200, 0300 Friday and Saturday), Momos, Game Nation, McDonald's (open until 0145, no SIA), Taco Bell, Hawkster, King of Falafel, Subway (open until 2300. 0500 Friday and Saturday), Woody's, Grill Kebab, Supersave Food and Wine, Chicken King, Camden Eye, Capital Food and Wine and Grounded. McDonald's had a licensing notice in the window advertising an application to open until 0500. I then looked around the area for signs of local authority controlled CCTV cameras. Two such cameras were located at the junction of Parkway and Camden High Street which appeared to give a line of sight to the front entrance of Wendy's as well as along Camden High Street. I then looked for signs of residential accommodation in the immediate vicinity as these would be most likely to be impacted on by any changes in the licensing hours. Although I was able to see lights in upper floors of some of the building overlooking the area and some of the entrance doors had multiple door intercoms, but I was unable to identify any premises which was definitely residential. The nearest accommodation that I could confirm were definitely residential was above the Oriental Supermarket on Parkway and East of Camden Town underground station, above Grill Kebab and Supersave Food and Wine on Kentish Town Road.
2221	I entered Wendy's and counted 9 customers downstairs and 6 customers upstairs. 2 SIA security staff were present, one on each floor. Both wore SIA licences in arm bands and wore a high visibility jacket with a body camera attached.
2320	Between 2300 and 2320 I conducted a count of pedestrians passing Wendy's.
	At least 485 people passed the front of the premises during this time.
2340	Between 2320 and 2340 I conducted a count of motor vehicles passing by Wendy's. At least 312 vehicles passed the premises during that time.
2342	I entered Wendy's. One SIA officer was on each floor. 3 customers were

	downstairs. No customers were upstairs.
2345	The three metropolitan police officers leave on their motor cycles.
2353	A metropolitan police vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels at speed along Camden High Street but does not stop. A member of staff from Wendy's exits the restaurant with a litter picker and plastic bag and starts to pick up litter.
Midnight	Camden Town underground station closes.
0010	A metropolitan police vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels at speed along Camden High Street but does not stop.
0020	Between midnight and 0020 182 pedestrian walked past Wendy's.
0018	London Ambulance Service vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels along Camden High Street.
0019	London Ambulance Service vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels along Camden High Street.
0027	London Ambulance Service vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels along Camden High Street.
0038	Metropolitan police vehicle travels along Camden High Street with blue lights and siren operating but does not stop.
0040	Between 0020 and 0040 484 vehicles passed Wendy's
0100	Still open in the area at 0100 are: Wendy's, King of Falafel, Pure Gym, Camden Burger Company, Elephant's Head, Oxford Arms, Pizza Warehouse, Grill Kebab, Supersave Food and Wine Camden Eye, Chicken King, Woody's, Camden Local Store, McDonald's, Game Nation, Camden Head, Blues Kitchen, Merkur, Boba and More, and the Dublin Castle. A rough sleeper was laid in the doorway to Marks and Spencer. A heavy goods vehicle was delivering to Boots. I entered Wendy's and no customers were present.
0109	London Ambulance Service vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels along Camden High Street.
0120	Between 0100 and 0120 128 pedestrians walked past Wendy's. During this same period 1 customer entered Wendy's and 2 pedal cycle delivery riders collected orders.
0140	Between 0120 and 0140 204 vehicles passed Wendy's. During the same period 24 customers entered Wendy's (8 appeared to have been to a wedding), and 2 moped delivery riders collected orders.
0142	At 0142 a staff member from Wendy's was seen collecting litter in the area.
0220	Between 0200 and 0220 125 pedestrians walked past Wendy's.
0233	London Fire brigade vehicle travels through the area with blue lights and siren operating.
0240	Between 0220 and 0240 287 vehicles passed Wendy's.
0300	Still open at 0300 are: Wendy's, King of Falafel, Pure Gym, Pizza Warehouse, Grill Kebab, Supersave Food and Wine, Chicken King, Game Nation and Merkur. 1 customer was in the downstairs part of Wendy's. The door staff stopped me from going upstairs, saying that the area was now closed.
0309	A staff member from Wendy's was seen collecting litter in the area.
0320	Between 0300 and 0320 21 pedestrians walked past Wendy's and 1 customer was seen to go inside. Between 0320 and 0340 120 vehicles travelled past Wendy's. 1 moped delivery rider was seen to collect an order.
0404	A member of staff is seen litter picking in the area.

0420	Between 0400 and 0420 30 pedestrians walked past Wendy's. No customers entered, 1 moped and 1 car delivery attended to collect orders.
0440	Between 0420 and 0440 115 vehicles passed Wendy's and 1 pedal cycle delivery rider collected an order. King of Falafel was seen to close at 0440.
0448	Metropolitan police vehicle travels along Camden High Street with blue lights and siren operating but does not stop.
0451	A car delivery driver collects an order.
0458	A member of staff litter picks outside. When he returned inside the front doors were closed.
0500	Still open are Supersave Food and Wine, Merkur, Game Nation and Pure Gym. The rough sleeper remained in the door way to Marks and Spencer. No further incidents of note took place and I ceased my observations and left the area.
	Friday 30th January 2026
2153	I returned to the Camden Town area of London. On this occasion two police motor bikes and riders were outside the exit to Camden Town underground station. A van liveried with the Camden Safety Hub was also parked in the pedestrianised area outside the station. Open at this time were: Wendy's, Pure Gym, Popeye's, Camden Burger Company, I Scream, Electric Ballroom, El Cenote, Petite Jamaica, Nikita Off Licence, Made in Brazil, Saikou, Ramore, Wandering Grapes, The Good Mixer, Bucks Head, Amorino, KFC (closes at midnight), Elephant's Head, Oxford Arms, Pizza Warehouse, Poppies Fish and Chips, Devonshire Arms, Chicken King, Iro Sushi, Capital Food and Wine, Grounded, Supersave Food and Wine, Grill Kebab, Camden Eye, Woody's, Subway (closes at 0500), King of Falafel, Worlds End, Abu Afif, Tesco Express, Chicken Shop, Camden Local Store, Hawker, Aldi (articulated lorry making delivery), Taco Bell, McDonald's (closes 0145), Games Nation (24-hour), Blues Kitchen, Momos, Camden Head (closes 0300), Merkur (open 24-hour), Mowchi, London Famous Jazz Venue (closes 0300), Odeon, Five Guys, Good Fare, Japes, Jam on Jamon, Pizza Pilgrims, Boba and More, Temple of Seitan, Quick Market, Earl of Camden, Spread Eagle, Namaaste kitchen, Dublin Castle, and Sushi Serenade. The rough sleeper was again in the entrance doorway to Marks and Spencer.
2213	Articulated lorry delivers to Aldi.
2230	Entered Wendy's. 13 customers were in the downstairs area and 11 customers occupied the upstairs. 1 SIA door supervisor wearing their badge, high visibility jacket and body camera was located on each floor.
2250	A metropolitan police vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels at speed along Camden High Street but does not stop.
2300	A club called underworld opened in the basement of World's End.
2313	A member of staff from Wendy's conducts a litter pick around the area.
2320	Between 2300 and 2320 I counted in excess of 900 people walking past Wendy's. The movement of pedestrians were more than I was able to count or calculate.
2340	Between 2320 and 2340 391 vehicles drive past Wendy's. A third police motor cycle joined their two colleagues outside Camden Station.
2345	I entered Wendy's. 6 customers were downstairs and 3 customers were upstairs.
0008	At 0008 a group of 8 youths walked along Camden High Street. One of the group had an amplified music player which was playing music loudly. The group located themselves outside Camden Station playing their music. I took a noise level reading which gave a peak of 92dB. The group did not move and no action was

	taken by the police to prevent this occurring. At the same time a mobile burger trolley set up outside the HSBC. A group of around 25-30 street drinkers were congregating in the seating area outside HSBC and others would join and then leave the group. Members of the group would frequently start arguing amongst themselves.
0020	Between midnight and 0020 578 pedestrians walked past Wendy's.
0023	London Ambulance Service vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels along Camden High Street.
0040	Between 0020 and 0040 330 vehicles passed Wendy's.
0054	A second group are playing loud music through a music system outside the closed box park. This was not as loud as the earlier one and registered 72 dB.
0100	I entered Wendy's where 11 customers are downstairs and 2 customers upstairs. Still open were London Famous Jazz Venue, Dublin Castle, Pure Gym, Underworld, World's End, Camden Local Store, Chicken Shop, McDonald's, Game Nation, Merkur, Blues Kitchen, Camden Head, King of Falafel, Subway, Woody's, Camden Eye, Grill Kebab, Supersave Food and Wine, Grounded, Capital Food and Wine, Chicken King, Iro Sushi, Devonshire Arms, Pizza Warehouse, Oxford Arms, Petite Jamaica, Jungla, Good Mixer, Camden Burger Company, and Camden Station.
0114	A litter picker from Wendy's cleared the nearby area. The group of street drinkers remained but had reduced to around 20.
0120	448 pedestrians walked past Wendy's. I noted 3 of the group outside the HSBC were putting laughing gas into balloons so that they could inhale the gas.
0126	London Ambulance Service vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels along Camden High Street.
0135	London Ambulance Service vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels along Camden High Street.
0140	Between 0220 and 0240 299 vehicles drive past McDonald's.
0143	A male and female from the group of street drinkers have a heated argument outside the HSBC bank. The Camden safety van remains outside Camden underground station.
0143	Entered Wendy's. 3 customers were downstairs. 0 customers upstairs.
0211	A metropolitan police vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels at speed along Camden High Street but does not stop.
0219	London Ambulance Service vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels along Camden High Street.
0220	Between 0200 and 0220 399 pedestrians walked past Wendy's. Music continued to be played through a speaker.
0221	A metropolitan police vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels at speed along Camden High Street but does not stop.
0224	A metropolitan police vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels at speed along Camden High Street but does not stop.
0225	London Ambulance Service vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels along Camden High Street.
0240	Between 0220 and 0240 276 vehicles passed Wendy's. The mobile hot food stand remained outside HSBC.
0245	London Ambulance Service vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels along Camden High Street.

0255	Entered Wendy's. 4 customers were downstairs and 11 customers were upstairs
0300	Still open at 0300 were Famous London Jazz Venue, Wendy's, Pure Gym, Game Nation, Merkur, Camden Head, Blues Kitchen, Camden Burger Company, Pizza Warehouse, Chicken King, Capital Food and Wine, Supersave Food and Wine, Camden Eye, Grill Kebab, Subway, King of Falafel. The group of street drinkers had grown to approx. 30. Drinking alcohol, consuming hot food and inhaling helium from balloons whilst listening to music on a speaker system.
0301	A member of staff from Wendy's conducted a litter pick.
0309	London Ambulance Service vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels along Camden High Street.
0315	The group on Camden High Street had reduced to 10 people. This group frequently argued with each other with two males being particularly aggressive to each other but no physical assaults took place.
0320	Between 0300 and 0320 331 pedestrians walked past Wendy's.
0340	Between 0320 and 0340 195 vehicles passed Wendy's. I entered the restaurant and found no customers downstairs and 2 customers upstairs.
0344	A moped delivery rider enters Wendy's.
0358	2 customers enter Wendy's. The group outside HSBC has reduced to 6
0401	Camden Burger Company closes. 1 customer enters Wendy's.
0401	A metropolitan police vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels at speed along Camden High Street but does not stop.
0404	A metropolitan police vehicle with blue lights and sirens operating travels at speed along Camden High Street but does not stop.
0408	A double decker bus which advertised as a party bus travelled through Camden Town past Wendy's. Loud music could clearly be heard and people could be seen dancing and singing on the bus. I managed to measure the sound from the bus at 82dB. A moped delivery rider enters Wendy's.
0418	A car delivery driver enters Wendy's.
0420	Between 0400 and 0420 81 pedestrians walked past Wendy's.
0424	Staff member from Wendy's conducts litter picking around the area. A moped delivery rider enters Wendy's.
0431	A car delivery driver enters Wendy's.
0436	Moped delivery rider enters Wendy's.
0437	Customer enters Wendy's. A moped delivery rider enters Wendy's.
0438	Moped delivery rider enters Wendy's.
0440	Between 0420 and 0440 152 vehicles passed Wendy's. I entered Wendy's and identified myself and conducted a licensed premises compliance check.
0450	Still open are Wendy's, King of Falafel, Subway (1 customer), Grill Kebab, Supersave Food and Wine, Game Nation and Merkur.
0455	Moped delivery rider enters Wendy's.
0458	The doors to Wendy's were closed. Two street drinkers remained outside HSBC. The rough sleeper remained in the doorway to Marks and Spencer.
0500	No further noteworthy incidents occurred and I ceased my observations and left the area.
Thursday 5th February 2026	
2140	I returned to the Camden Town area and resumed my observations. As I exited the underground station, I saw two police motor cycle and riders were outside

	<p>the station. This number fluctuated between none and three throughout the night as they were dispatched to calls and then returned to the location.</p> <p>Wendy's was open as were Popeye's, Pure Gym, Camden Burger Company, Bubble Mania, I scream, Ma Petite, Nikita's, Made in Brazil, Jungla, Wandering Grapes, The Good Mixer. Bucks Head, Amorino, KFC, Elephant's Head (Live music clearly audible), Oxford Arms, Pizza Warehouse, Devonshire Arms, Chicken King, Iro Sushi, Capital Food and Wine, Grounded, Supersave Food and Wine, Grill Kebab, Residents at back of station. Blue Rose (licensed sex shop), Camden Eye, Woody's, Subway, King of Falafel, World's End, Abu Afif, Tesco Express, Chicken Shop, Camden Local Store, Tortilla, Aldi, Taco Bell, Hawker, McDonald's, Game Nation, Momos, Mowchi, Camden Head, Blues Kitchen, Merkur, Maharani Palace, London's Famous Jazz Venue, Vegan Planet, Odeon, Japes, Goodfire, Five Guys, Laz, Jamon Jamon, Temple of Seitan, Pizza Pilgrims, Purezza, Boba and More, Earl of Camden, Spread Eagle, Liang Wraps, Quick Market, Co-Op, Dublin Castle, and Doisot.</p>
2153	London Ambulance Service vehicle with blue lights and siren operating travels through the area.
2200	Two of the metropolitan police motor cyclist had left their bikes outside Camden Town station and were inside Wendy's consuming food and drinks.
2223	Entered Wendy's. 14 customers were occupying the ground floor and the upstairs seating area had been closed off. No SIA security was present.
2248	London Ambulance Service and Metropolitan police vehicles travel through the area with blue lights and sirens operating.
2255	Exited Wendy's. During the period inside 1 moped delivery rider and 1 pedal cycle delivery rider had collected food. 11 customers were inside. None of the customers were the same as the 14 who were inside when I entered at 2223.
2318	London Ambulance Service vehicle travels through with blue lights and siren operating.
2320	Between 2300 and 2320 556 pedestrians walked past Wendy's. I entered Wendy's were 11 customers occupied the ground floor area.
2340	Between 2320 and 2340 242 vehicles past the venue. Between 2320 and 2355 3 moped delivery riders and 2 pedal cycle delivery riders entered the restaurant. I exited the restaurant at 2355 leaving 7 customers and 1 moped delivery rider inside. The street drinkers, who numbered approximately 15 were standing outside Barclay's Bank due to the inclement weather.
2358	The doors to Wendy's were closed.
0019	London Ambulance Service vehicle travelled through Camden Town with the blue lights and siren operating.
0020	Between midnight and 0020 304 pedestrians walked past the venue.
0035	London Fire Brigade vehicle travels through Camden Town with blue lights and siren operating. The rough sleeper was laid in the doorway to Marks and Spencer.
0037	London Fire Brigade vehicle travels through Camden Town with blue lights and siren operating.
0040	Between 0020 and 0040 260 vehicles past the venue.
0100	Still open are Camden Local Store, Game Nation, McDonald's, Camden Head, Blues Kitchen, Merkur. Dublin Castle. Pure Gym. Camden burger company. Elephant's Head (music was clearly audible outside), Oxford Arms, Devonshire Arms (music was clearly audible outside), Chicken King, Iro Sushi, Capital Food

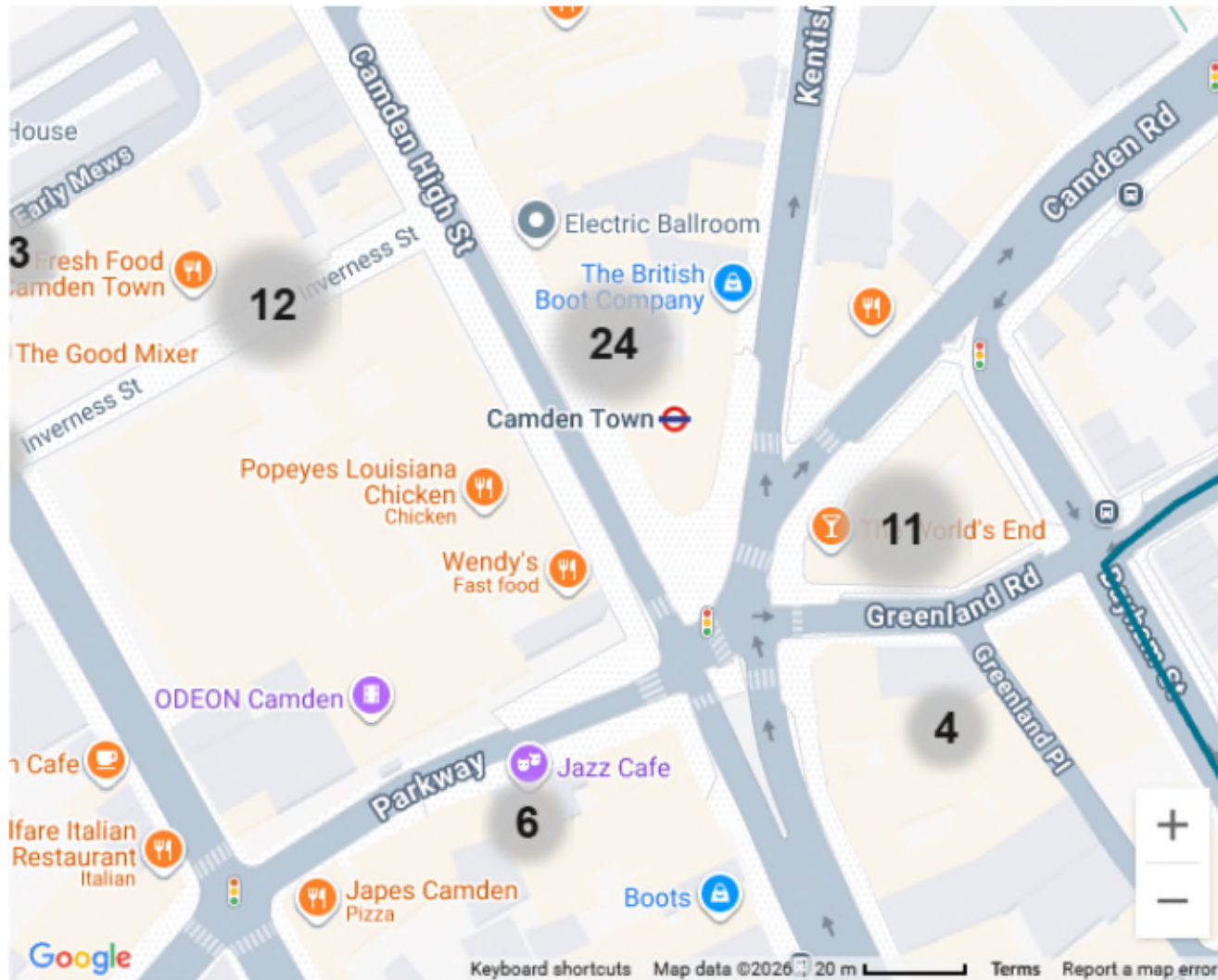
	and Wine, Supersave Food and Wine, Grill Kebab, Camden Eye, Woody's, and King of Falafel. People continued to use the numerous bank cash points in the area. Stores in the area which were closed used the quieter road times to restock their goods. Street cleaning and refuse collection also took place during these quieter times.
0113	Delivery vehicles to Popeye's and Pret.
0120	Between 0100 and 0120 129 pedestrians walked past the venue.
0140	Between 0120 and 0140 240 vehicles drove past the venue.
0155	I noticed that moped delivery riders continued to call at Subway even though the shutters had been lowered half way across the doorway.
0220	Between 0200 and 0220 94 pedestrians walked past Wendy's.
0240	Between 0220 and 0240 168 vehicles travelled past Wendy's.
0300	Still open are Pure Gym, Grill Kebab, Superave Food and Wine, King of Falafel, Chicken King, Game Nation, and Merkur. Male and female beggars are wandering around the area. Although McDonald's was closed staff were jet washing the external footpath.
0320	Between 0300 and 0320 42 pedestrians walked past Wendy's.
0340	Between 0320 and 0340 134 vehicles drive past Wendy's.
0344	King of Falafel and Grill Kebab close.
0420	Between 0400 and 0420 32 pedestrians walked past Wendy's.
0440	Between 0420 and 0440 127 vehicles drive past the venue.
0500	Still open are Game Nation, Merkur, Pure Gym, and Supersave Food and Wine. The rough sleeper remains in the doorway of Marks and Spencer. No further incidents of note occurred and I ceased my observations and left the area.
	Friday 6th February 2026
2130	I returned to the Camden Town area to continue my investigation. As I exited the underground station onto Camden High Street a street promoter was handing out leaflets for events at Underworld which opened 11pm until 3am. I also saw three metropolitan police motor cycles parked in the pedestrianised area, but no riders. I looked into the nearby venues but could not locate them. I noted that the Camden Safety Hub vehicle was also parked nearby. The officers may have been inside but due to the obscured windows I could not confirm this to be the case. During this period of observations, I also saw two council safety officers walking around the area and using the vehicle as a base. This had not been observed on the previous Friday nights observations. I entered Wendy's where 2 customers were located downstairs and 20 customers upstairs. Also open at this time were Pure Gym, Popeye's, Camden Burger Company, Bubble Mania, I scream, Electric Ballroom, El Cenote, Ma Petite, Nikitas, Made in Brazil, Ramore, Saikou, Wandering Grapes, Good Mixer, Black Bear Burger, Bucks Head, Amorino, KFC, Elephant's Head (live music playing), Oxford Arms, Pizza Warehouse, Poppies Fish and Chips, Devonshire Arms, Chicken King, Iro Sushi, Capital Food and Wine, Supersave Food and Wine, Grounded, Grill Kebab, Blue Rose (licensed sex shop), Camden Eye, Woody's, Subway (open until 0500), King of Falafel, Camden head. Merkur. Game nation, McDonald's. Falafel. Worlds End, London Famous Jazz Venue, Vegan Planet, Odeon, Goodfare, Japes, Five Guys, Laz, Jamon Jamon, Temple of Seitan, Pizza Pilgrims, Purezza, Boba and More, Earl of Camden, Spread Eagle, Quick Market, Namaaste Kitchen, Co-Op, Dublin Castle, Pizza Express, Imperial. Off Licence, Blues Kitchen, Maharani Palace,

	Merkur, Camden Head, Momos, Game Nation, McDonald's, Mowchi, Aldi, Taco Bell, Hawker, I Repair 4 U. Tortilla, Chicken Shop, Tesco Express, Camden Local Store, and Abu Afif. The rough sleeper was in the doorway of Marks and Spencer. A heavy goods vehicle delivers to Pret. Whilst walking around the area I recognised some of the street drinkers that I had seen on the previous night and the previous observations.
2152	A metropolitan police vehicle with blue lights and sirens sounding passed Wendy's.
2153	An unmarked emergency response vehicle with blue lights and siren operating passes by the venue.
2206	London Ambulance vehicle passes by Wendy's with blue lights and siren operating.
2216	London Ambulance Service vehicle passes Wendy's with blue lights and siren operating.
2219	London Ambulance Service vehicle passes Wendy's with blue lights and siren operating. Articulated lorry delivers to Aldi.
2229	Metropolitan police vehicle with blue lights and siren operating passes Wendy's.
2240	An event at the Electric Ballroom ends and hundreds of people exit into Camden High Street. The majority of customers head straight into Camden Underground station with a small proportion going into local bars and food establishments. 5 street drinkers are located outside the HSBC bank.
2245	Metropolitan police vehicle passes by Wendy's with its blue lights and siren operating. I entered Wendy's where 8 customers are downstairs. The upstairs area was closed. 2 Sia security guards were located in the downstairs area.
2253	Metropolitan vehicle passes by Wendy's with its blue lights and siren operating. The metropolitan police motor cyclists leave the area with blue light operating. A female walks along Camden High Street carrying a music box playing amplified music.
2304	Metropolitan police vehicle with blue lights and siren operating passes by Wendy's.
2316	Metropolitan police motor cyclists return to their static position on the pedestrianised road outside Camden Station.
2320	Between 2300 and 2320 I attempted to quantify the number of pedestrians walking past Wendy's. The figure was well in excess of 1,000.
2327	London Ambulance Service vehicle passes by Wendy's with blue lights and siren operating.
2340	Between 2320 and 2340 392 vehicles past Wendy's. 2 street drinkers were outside the HSBC bank. I entered Wendy's where 18 customers were downstairs, being supervised by 2 Sia security guards. Both guards had their Sia licences displayed in arm bands and had body cameras attached to their jackets. Only one guard had a high visibility jacket on. The upstairs was closed.
2355	Between 2320 and 2355 2 moped delivery riders were seen to enter Wendy's. I exited the venue leaving 13 customers and continued my external observations. Underworld club had opened.
2356	London Ambulance service vehicle with blue lights and siren sounding passes by Wendy's.
2359	The mobile burger trolley is in the doorway to the HSBC bank.
0020	Between midnight and 0020 more than 836 pedestrians walked past Wendy's. I entered Wendy's where 28 customers occupied the downstairs area.

0035	Customers entering Wendy's are informed that purchases were for take-away only.
0040	Between 0020 and 0040 333 vehicles passed by Wendy's.
0055	Between 0020 and 0055 1 cycle delivery and 1 moped rider collected deliveries. 9 customers remained inside. A heavy good vehicle delivers to Five Guys.
0100	The front door to Wendy's is closed. 5 street drinkers are outside the HSBC. Two Camden safety officers walk along Camden High Street. Open in the area were Pure Gym, Camden Burger Company, Ma Petite, Good Mixer, Bucks Head, Elephant's Head (music audible outside), Oxford Arms, Pizza Warehouse, Devonshire Arms (music audible outside), Chicken King, Capital Food and Wine, Grounded. Supersave Food and Wine, Grill Kebab, Camden Eye, Woody's, Subway, King of Falafel, World's End, Underworld, London's Famous Jazz Venue, Boba and More, Dublin Castle (music audible outside), Camden Local Store, McDonald's, Game Nation, Camden Head (music audible outside), Blues Kitchen (music audible outside), and Merkur.
0108	London ambulance service with blue lights and siren operating travels past Wendy's.
0120	Between 0100 and 0120 462 pedestrians walk past Wendy's.
0133	London ambulance service vehicle passes by Wendy's with blue lights and siren operating
0134	London ambulance service vehicle with blue lights and siren operating passes by Wendy's.
0140	Between 0120 and 0140 296 vehicles passed by Wendy's. 5 street drinkers are occupying the public seating areas outside the HSBC bank.
0202	London ambulance service with blue lights and siren operating passes by Wendy's.
0220	Between 0200 and 0220 539 pedestrians walked past Wendy's.
0233	London ambulance service with blue lights and siren operating passes by Wendy's.
0240	Between 0220 and 0240 239 vehicles pass by Wendy's
0300	Still open in the area were London's Famous Jazz Club, Pure Gym, Camden Burger Company, Subway, King of Falafel, Woody's, Grill Kebab, Supersave, Jungla, Pizza Warehouse, Camden Eye, Chicken King, Capital Food and Wine, Blues Kitchen, Camden Head, Merkur, and Game nation.
0307	Metropolitan police vehicle with blue lights and siren operating passes Wendy's.
0308	London ambulance service with blue lights and siren operating passes Wendy's.
0320	Between 0300 and 0320 395 pedestrians walked past Wendy's.
0340	Between 0320 and 0340 239 vehicles drove past Wendy's. Capital Food and Wine, Camden Burger Company and Woody's close.
0350	I took photographs of the litter in two locations in Camden Town. The first was outside Ryman's Stationery shop and appeared to have been caused by someone emptying rubbish which had been left for kerbside collection (exhibit reference letter DJB xx refers). The second photograph was taken in the public seating area outside the HSBC where the majority of street drinkers had been congregating (exhibit reference letter DJB 7 refers). Still open at 0400 are Subway, King of Falafel, Grill Kebab, Game Nation and Merkur.
0415	London ambulance service vehicle passes Wendy's with blue lights and siren operating.
0420	Between 0400 and 0420 114 pedestrians are seen to walk past Wendy's.

0422	Goods vehicles are seen to deliver to Pret and Super Drug.
0430	London ambulance service vehicle passes Wendy's with blue lights and siren operating.
0440	Between 0420 and 0440 175 vehicles pass by Wendy's.
0450	Still open are Grill Kebab, King of Falafel, Subway, Supersave, Game Nation and Merkur. The rough sleeper remained in the door way of Marks and Spencer.
0500	No further noteworthy incidents occurred and at 0500 I ceased my observations and left the area.

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TEMPORARY EVENT NOTICE

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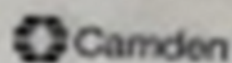
The Temporary Event Notice is in the custody of

Paul Newton

who holds the position of

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This Temporary Event Notice will be produced to a constable or authorised officer for examination on request.



London Borough of Camden, 5 Pancras Square, London N1C 4AG

Premises Licence Summary
London Borough of Camden Licensing Authority

Premises licence number

PREM-LIC/119153

Part 1 - Premises details

Postal address of premises, or if none, Ordnance Survey map reference or description

Wendy's
189 191 Camden High Street
London
N1N 7BP

Telephone number N/A

Where the licence is time limited the dates

N/A

Licenceable activities authorized by the licence

Late Night Refreshment Yes

The times the licence authorizes the carrying out of licenceable activities

Late Night Refreshment	23:00 - 00:00
Sunday to Thursday	23:00 - 01:00
Friday to Saturday	

The opening hours of the premises

Sunday to Thursday 08:00 - 00:00
Friday to Saturday 08:00 - 02:00

Where the licence authorizes supplies of alcohol whether these are on another off supplies

N/A

When does the event start?

Friday 30 January 2026

When does the event end?

Saturday 31 January 2026

What time does the event start and end each day?

Day	Start time	End time
Friday 30 January 2026	00:01	05:00
Saturday 31 January 2026	01:01	05:00

Where is the event taking place?

In a building or venue

Enter the digits after PREM-LXCI on the licence. This can be found on your documentation

119183

Premise name

Wardly's

Which address is the event at?

188-191 Camden High Street
NW1 7BP
London

Will the event use the whole premises, or just part of it?

Whole premises

Do you have a personal licence?

No

Are you an agent applying on behalf of someone else?

Yes - I am an agent



POLITE NOTICE

Please respect
our neighbours.

You are requested
to keep noise to
a minimum
when leaving
these premises.

Wendy's Camden Town (Exhibit reference letter DJB 04 refers)

Footfall

Date	2300-2320	0000-0020	0100-0120	0200-0220	0300-0320	0400-0420
Thursday 29 th January (TEN)	485	182	128	125	21	30
Friday 30 th January (TEN)	900+	578	448	339	331	81
Thursday 5 th February (no TEN)	556	304	129	94	42	32
Friday 6 th February (no TEN)	1,000+	836	462	539	395	114

Motor Vehicle Traffic

Date	2320-2340	0020-0040	0120-0140	0220-0240	0320-0340	0420-0440
Thursday 29 th January (TEN)	312	484	204	287	120	115
Friday 30 th January (TEN)	391	330	299	276	195	152
Thursday 5 th February (no TEN)	242	260	240	168	134	127
Friday 6 th February (no TEN)	392	333	296	239	239	175

Emergency Response Sirens

Date	Number	Times
Thursday 29 th January (TEN)	9	23:53, 00:10, 00:18, 00:19, 00:27, 00:38, 01:09, 02:33, 04:48
Friday 30 th January (TEN)	13	22:50, 00:23, 01:26, 01:35, 02:11, 02:19, 02:21, 02:24, 02:25, 02:45, 03:09, 04:01, 04:04
Thursday 5 th February (no TEN)	6	21:53, 22:48, 23:18, 00:19, 00:35, 00:37
Friday 6 th February (no TEN)	20	21:52, 21:53, 22:06, 22:16, 22:19, 22:29, 22:45, 22:53, 23:04, 23:27, 23:56, 01:08, 01:33, 01:34, 02:02, 02:33, 03:07, 03:08, 04:15, 04:30

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THE STROKES ★ SUM 41 ★ AC/DC ★ NIRVANA
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